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**THE CRAFT FAIR SCENE**—The second annual Telstar Craft Fair, sponsored by the Telstar Alumni Association, took place Saturday in the school's cafeteria and hallway. Buyers were able to choose from a variety of wares. Proceeds go towards Educational Assistance Awards, which are presented to graduating seniors every year in June, as well as other Alumni Association projects throughout the year. *A. Aloisio*

### Bethel seeks to keep ahead of Ethel Bisbee Historic Register process

BY ALISON ALOISIO

With the Maine Historic Preservation Commission expected to begin an application next year for the Ethel Bisbee School to be named to the National Register of Historic Places,

Bethel selectmen are wrestling with how to determine - soon - whether townspeople want the building torn down instead.

The town acquired the 1925 school building from SAD 44 when there was

discussion about possibly using the land for recreational facilities. Options included taking the building down and just using the land.

But earlier this fall, at the request of Selectboard Chair Stan Howe, who is

also the executive director emeritus of the Bethel Historical Society, Town Manager Christine Landes submitted an assessment form, photos and other information to the

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### SAD 44 negotiates land buy, gets grants

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

SAD 44's ownership of a parcel of land abutting the Telstar athletic fields moved a step closer this week.

Following an executive session during Monday's meeting, the School Board voted to authorize Superintendent David Murphy "to develop, on behalf of the District, a proposed purchase and sales agreement with the Conifer Corporation, or its designee, providing for the purchase by the District of approximately 36 acres of land abutting the northerly edge of the Telstar school property for a purchase price not to exceed \$76,000."

The purchase would be subject to final approval by the School Board at its December meeting, as well as approval by SAD 44 voters at a district meeting.

Murphy said by e-mail Tuesday that Athletic Activities Coordinator Gail Wight estimates that approximately a third of the district's existing cross country trails are located on the 36-acre parcel.

**District receives grants**  
Murphy told the School Board that the district has recently received three separate grants. Each is designated for a specific purpose.

A \$4,600 planning grant from the Maine Department of Education will assist with educator effectiveness training.

The funding is in addition to the district's participation in the five-year Teacher Incentive Fund grant program, which provides approximately \$1 million per year to assist in several specific efforts designed to improve

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### BANC proposal:

### Program with paid coordinator would boost town planning participation

BY ALISON ALOISIO

Representatives from the Bethel Area Nonprofit Collaborative (BANC) pitched the "Community Heart & Soul" program to Bethel selectmen Monday, saying it is a proven method

to engage more people in planning and other work in area towns.

Amy Scott, the network facilitator for BANC, said the program follows an "explicit process" to bring people into projects relating to business,

nonprofits and other community efforts. She said Maine towns such as Damariscotta, Biddeford and Gardiner have used it successfully, and Buckport has recently started it.

Some towns, she said,

"have had really incredible success in engaging people and pulling them out from the woodwork" to participate.

Written background information she provided

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### Yoga classes fund local education

BY AMY WIGHT CHAPMAN

Malinda Gagnon recently told her yoga students that all past and future proceeds from her classes—totaling about \$1,000 so far—are being designated for donation to local education programs.

"We believe that a strong community builds a bright future," said the owner of Yogamoto, a yoga practice whose name combines Sanskrit, Japanese, and Italian words to signify "oneness with our origin and movement."

Gagnon and her husband, Brian, are both natives of western Maine. She is from Bethel and he is from Rumford.

They attribute their success in life to the strong support of their hometowns and local schools.

"We've been able to pursue our interests and have fulfilling careers because of the great start we got here," Gagnon said.

"We both enjoyed school and sports—we actually met ski racing—and had so many great people support us—from family, friends, teachers, coaches, to staff at local ski areas."

**Balance through Yoga**  
After graduating from Telstar and Bates College, Gagnon attended Boston University for graduate school,

and lived in Boston for nearly a decade.

Four years ago, she and her husband moved back to the area and settled in her hometown.

"I work in advertising and appreciate the balance that yoga brings to a hectic professional life," Gagnon said.

Last spring, she began teaching an energetic vinyasa flow class, called Fire Flow, on Saturday mornings at the Methodist Church Annex.

"My work requires that I travel frequently, and I'm able to attend class at many different yoga studios and learn from some wonderful teachers, such as Rodney Yee and Colleen Saidman. I'm always eager to learn more and bring back new ideas for my students," she said.

Offitting regular yoga practice and teaching into her busy schedule, Gagnon said, "You make time for what's important...When you're doing something you love, it doesn't seem like work."

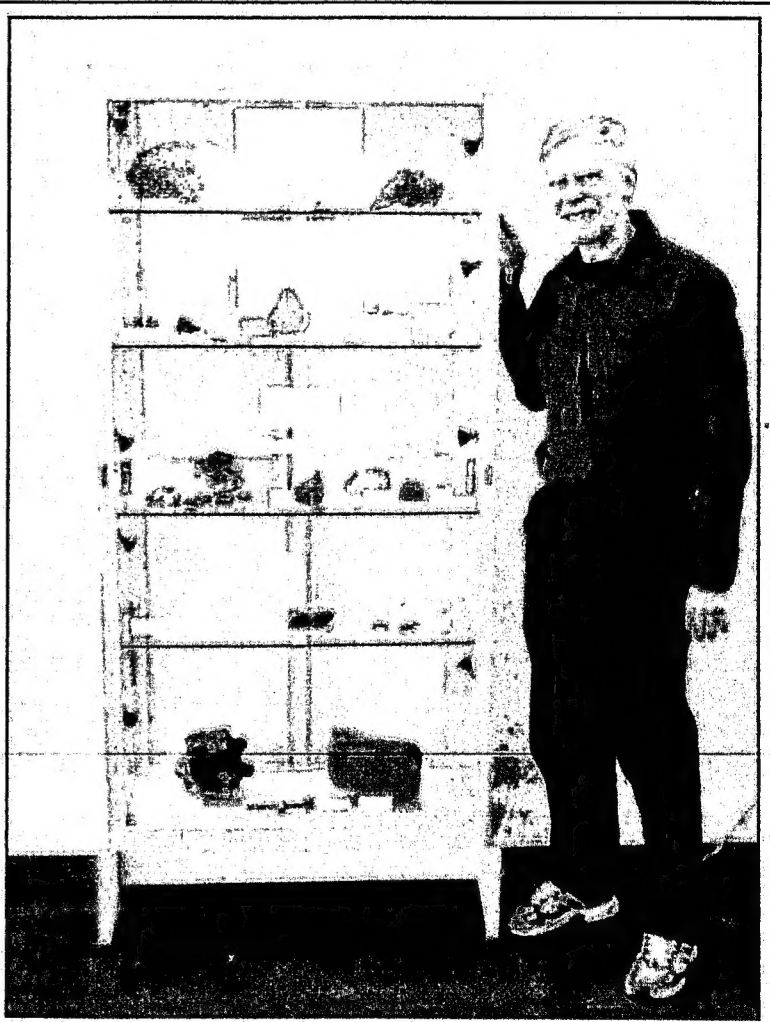
**Pay-what-you-can classes**  
She is so passionate about bringing the benefits of yoga to everyone who wishes to participate, regardless of their ability to pay, that she recently introduced a new payment model for her classes.

Instead of a set price, her yoga students now pay what

### MMGM "THIRD THURSDAY TALK" NEXT WEEK

Dr. Carl A. Francis, curator at the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum on Main Street in Bethel, will present the first in a series of public monthly "Third Thursday Tours & Talks" Nov. 19 at 3 p.m. at the museum. Francis' topic will be the pegmatites (coarse-grained igneous rocks) of the Lovell, Stoneham and Stow areas. Since 1881, many pegmatites have been discovered in the area, yielding gems as well as feldspar and mica for industrial purposes, Francis said. Both the largest and second-largest aquamarine gemstones in North America were found in Stoneham, a century apart from each other. Among the specific locations to be discussed by Francis will be the Lord Hill, Deer Hill and Aldrich mines. The presentation will take place in the "Preview Gallery" at the museum. Francis is pictured here with some specimens displayed in that gallery. The public talks are being offered as part of the MMGM commitment to education, he said. In warmer weather the presentations are expected to switch to a tour format at outside venues in the area. MMGM would also like public input on the preferred time for future talks (call 824-3036).

*A. Aloisio*



they can afford on a donation basis, with a suggested range of between \$5 and \$15 per class.

"I hope [this] will make yoga accessible to more people in the community," she said.

Yogamoto has also just added a new instructor, Michelle Devoe, who will teach classes on Wednesdays at the Annex, under the same donation-based payment

model, with a portion of the proceeds also going to local education.

Gagnon has been saving the proceeds from her classes since she started teaching last year, and the donation fund recently passed the thousand-dollar mark.

"[It's] a good starting point, and I'm looking forward to growing it," she said, adding

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### Rotary Country Breakfast

Gould Academy  
Ordway Dining Hall  
Sunday, Nov. 29  
7:30-11 am

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## Letters

### NHS THANKSGIVING DINNER

To The Editor:

The Telstar National Honor Society would like to extend an invitation to all the members of the community who would like to attend the annual Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinner will happen on Sunday, Nov. 22 at noon. It will be held in the Telstar Cafeteria. A delicious meal of turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, squash, carrots, peas, and dinner rolls will be served and will be topped off with a variety of scrumptious pies.

Come give thanks and enjoy the camaraderie of friends. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please call the high school office at 824-2136.

Savannah Vermette, Lisa Gammon, Cassidy Smith, Naomi Carr, and Austin Bear, NHS Officers and Sarah Southam, NHS Advisor

### SUPPORT SOUGHT FOR EDDY SCHOOL STUDENTS

To The Editor:

I am writing on behalf of The Eddy School - an independent middle school and a non-profit organization. While this small Newry school has raised more than half of its scholarship needs over a short time thanks to individuals, groups and grants, the work to fund this educational effort continues.

If you know of a grant, company program, or foundation opportunity that is focused on education, would you please contact us with information? If you are an individual who financially supports independent education in rural Western Maine, please contact us to learn more about the vibrant educational experience The Eddy School is offering to middle schoolers.

The Eddy School plans to create a sustainable annual giving program so that all students can enjoy educational choice and each student who would benefit from being in this school program will be able to access it - no barriers!

Deborah Doyle, volunteer at The Eddy School  
Bethel  
207-357-0275

### ILLUSION TRUMPS REALITY?

To The Editor:

I read the Citizen's excellent article on the Bull Branch logging plan with dismay.

Why have we allowed the state to dismiss requests for conservation of a wooded area that contains 25+ acres of relatively undisturbed forest and some old trees?

If we have less than one percent of old growth forest remaining in Maine shouldn't it be a priority for us to save what little is left for future generations and for viable seed?

John Bott's response to local concerns is that "not all large trees will be removed." This information doesn't reassure me. He also focuses on the 330 foot wildlife ("wildlife" is the BPL serious?) buffer along each side of the Bull Branch area which is designed "to maintain the appearance of an essentially undisturbed forest."

So it's the illusion of forest we want protected and not the forest itself?

I call this the ostrich syndrome. The setback protects the public from seeing what is happening to our trees. Are we as a people that dedicated to illusion?

I am also distressed to learn that there are only some trees "deserving of special treatment" when ALL trees are providing the rest of us with the oxygen we need to breathe.

Sara Wright  
Woodstock

### SANCTUARY CITIES PROTECT CRIMINALS

To The Editor:

The non-profit non-partisan Judicial Watch, through a series of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) lawsuits obtained the following statistics from the Obama Administration's Immigration and Customs Enforcement office: During 2013, the Obama Immigration and Customs and Enforcement outright released 36,007 criminal aliens who had been convicted of the following crimes: 1) 193 homicide convictions, 2) 426 sexual assault convictions, 3) 303 kidnapping convictions, 4) 1,075 aggravated assault convictions, 5) 1,160 stolen vehicle convictions, as well as numerous other felonies.

Many of these felons seek asylum in any of a number of "sanctuary cities" in the U.S., where they are immune from prosecution by federal or state authorities. It seems that the Obama Administration and many Democrats are more interested in coddling prospective Democrat voters than they are about the safety of American citizens from criminals.

Richard Grover  
Mason

### CHRISTMAS FOR FAMILIES

To The Editor:

Here we are again, even though the weather is so warm and wonderful with leaves still on the trees it is hard to believe that we have been through another year and that winter is fast approaching, with that we have the holiday season coming also. For us Christmas is a time of giving and sharing what we can. Our community has pulled together for many more than 35 years now to make it all happen again.

We would like to give a big THANK YOU to all that have already thought of us for 2015, we have had gifts and cash donations. We accept donations year round as we see special prices and know that it will go to a good cause.

In 2014 we were able to help 223 children plus their parents, 80 families we could not do this without the help of our community and visitors to our wonderful town. We believe that this year will be right up there in numbers. In the past we have even received donations from people who we helped over the years - goes to show what goes around comes around.

We make sure that the children have warm clothes like hats and mittens, PJs, game, reading material, blanket, something age appropriate for a toy and an extra, also Christmas stockings with neat things in them. We do not make the toys our primary gift. We also send the wrapping items so that the parents have some input into what they are getting.

Anyone who wants to help can either make a donation of gifts, money or adopt a child or family. We do not give out names but we will give you sizes, age and anything special that they may be looking for. There will be a box at Maine Street Realty & Rentals at 20 Railroad Street, Bethel, for any donations that you would like to leave also at Nina Wheelers home on Barker Road.

If you need assistance (and live in the SAD 44 district) to make a better Christmas you need to fill out an application, which you can pick up at Maine Street Realty. There is a box just inside the first door or at Nina Wheeler's home; just fill it out and leave it in the box or mail it to Christmas for Families, 156a Barker Road, Bethel, Me 04217. The other way is to call Nina at 207-836-3600 or e-mail ninawheeler@msn.com and leave a message and she will get back to you as soon as possible.

Our goal this year to have all the gifts delivered by Dec. 15. Anyone who has not heard from us by then please call. Please know that this is kept in confidence. We do call references to verify the circumstances.

We are also having a Benefit Bingo on Dec. 4 at Jackson-Silver Post 68 in Locke's Mills. There will be food sales and raffles, doors open at 4 p.m. and bingo starts at 6 p.m.

Thank you.

Nina Wheeler  
Director Christmas for Families

### CLOTH GROCERY BAG EXCHANGE

To The Editor:

The Mahoosuc Kids Association (MKA) Lego League would like to make you aware of the problem that is grocery bags; plastic and paper. To make paper bags we have to cut down our trees, and not to mention the gas and money it takes to bring the bags to the location needed. Plastic bags are also a problem because throwing them outside is hurting the environment by polluting, and in a landfill they take 1,000 years to decompose just for ONE bag.

We would like to know if you would help us make a change by only using cloth bags and totes. We would like to have an exchange for tote bags. The donated tote bags at the Bethel Foodliner are to be used in case you forget yours, or to have a place to bring your extra serviceable bags.

We would like it very much if you could send cloth bags to school (TMS or CPS) with your child or drop them off and our students will collect them.

We would like your help in getting people to donate cloth and reusable bags for the people of Bethel to use and bring back.

We can't do this without your help and the help of the people of Bethel. Thank you for considering this, we would appreciate your support.

Thank you.

MKA's Lego League: Logan and Tanner Martin, Julius Woods, Dylan Greenberg, Utah Bean, Tess Fults, Chelsea Duclos, Forest Pelletier, Eli Shifrin, Romeo Villanueva Coaches Marie Keane and Kate Slattery

## The Bethel Journals

### The Bethel Fair



Two steers on a balance board entertain a crowd of fair-goers. Submitted photo

BY DONALD G. BENNETT

The fair gave rural communities - the farmers, homemakers and trotting horse aficionados - a chance to have fun and show their stuff. And like today's Mollycoddle Day the fair had plenty of vendors setting up shop.

In Bethel's case these groups did not have a fair ground where these various factions could be accommodated. Sometimes Broad Street residents complained about horse trot racing on the street.

Home crafters could show their stuff at a fair in Pattee's Hall on Spring Street and traveling circuses came in the summer and set up in a field outside the village. Many Bethelites went to fairs in Lewiston, South Paris and Fryeburg. So the demand was here just not the space until 1890 when the trotting horse crowd who called themselves the Riverside Trotting Association was able to lease land from Moses A. Mason who owned the homestead, fields and woods around today's Norseman Inn. Work on a one-half mile trotting track started immediately on the land which today is the Harringtons' field behind the "fair grounds barn" - actually "the barn" was not there in 1890, it has only been there since 1931.

In October of 1890 a week of fair weather at Bethel convinced the farmers and horsemen to hold an exhibition and fair on Tuesday, Oct. 7. Inside the race track oval they had an excellent field where the horses, oxen, sheep and cattle could be exhibited; dairy and fancy work would be exhibited in Pattee's Hall. The trotting park and weight (stone weights on sleds) hauling contests for horses and oxen was the center of male excitement.

Then a year later in August of 1891, the Grand Opening Trot of the Riverside Park Association was a popular success. A large crowd came and over \$100 was taken at the gate (at 25 cents per ticket, about 400 people came to the trot). The Congregational ladies Fair at the Riverside Park were also very successful with over \$100 being realized. This event was the prelude to a fall agricultural fair.

Two months later, The "First Annual Fair" excited, pleased and fulfilled all expectations of Bethel fair-goers. It was the first time in Bethel that a fall fair could be held within one area and with the added attraction of trotting races and the church fair to interest the ladies. Since the Second Congregational Church (Rev. David Garland's church) society had been dissolved in 1890, the church building could be used as the fair's exhibit hall.

Entrance to the fair grounds and horse track was not where you might think it would be today near the "fairgrounds barn." The Gilead Road (today's North Road) started just beyond the Mason barn (today's Norseman Motel) then ran today's fairgrounds barn to the Riverside Cemetery area. So if you went to the races or fair activities you entered from Mayville after passing the Mason barn. Starting up this road, the 2d Congregational Church building/exhibit hall was on your right as you headed toward the fair grounds.

The Oxford Democrat's news report of the first agricultural fair and trotting races was a long very detailed article (see [http://www.thebetheljournals.info/1891/1891\\_Bethel\\_Fair.htm](http://www.thebetheljournals.info/1891/1891_Bethel_Fair.htm)).

Some highlights were: "The portly form of the president, C.W. Wormell (who was Bethel's top deputy sheriff), and the bright smiling face of the secretary, E.M. Walker, welcomed the crowd to the grounds, while the sedate and methodical, Dr. F. B. Tuell, and the vivacious Miss Jennie Handley were in the church/exhibit hall to receive and arrange all the articles presented. Soon the hall was covered on each side with quilts, comfortables and rugs, and the

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## Our Back Pages

BY DANNA BROWN NICKERSON

10 years ago: Henry and Betty Robertson celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on Nov. 8, with family and friends.

The first snow storm of the season brought 3-4 inches to the area.

Births: Devin Rae Day, Layrue Marie Proffitt.

Deaths: Robert "Bob" P. Mason, Otis I. Evans, Robert E. Mills, Daisy M. LeClair.

20 years ago: Weekend rain caused flooding, washed out roads and downed power lines in the area. Twin Bridges in Riley, which had recently been repaired, washed out again.

A young moose had been visiting yards in parts of Bethel Village, and stopped by Crescent Park School, much to the delight of students.

Births: Lukas Kiah Hinkley, Kathryn Julianna Franklin, Kathryn Barbara Coolidge, Alexa Mae Maddocks.

Deaths: Elizabeth J. Swan, Vernon R. Smith.

30 years ago: The superintendent and trustees of the Bethel Water District hosted a public reception honoring E. Louise Lincoln on her retirement.

A fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn and damaged the rest of the vacant Alice Smith house on Church Street, and threatened the property of four adjacent residents.

Deaths: Clarence E. (Cad) Kimball, Henry C. Hutchins.

40 years ago: The Board of Directors of the Bethel Inn Company announced the resignation of inn manager John R. Gasser. Steve Wight was hired as acting manager to oversee maintenance and security through the winter.

The Mundt-Allen American Legion Post 81 presented a Certificate of Appreciation to the staff of the Bethel Citizen for their courtesy and cooperation in reporting Legion activities.

Births: Jennifer Lynn Bowie, Rachel Mary-Ruth Rice.

Deaths: Mrs. Isabella Y. Miller, Mrs. Hazel Trinward, Mrs. Elsie Curtis, Lester C. Virgin.

50 years ago: Two to three inches of snow fell in the Bethel area, followed by rain and thundershowers. Upton had a snowfall of 9-11 inches.

The State Class C championship and Mountain Valley Conference title remained in deadlock after undefeated Gould Academy and Hall-Dale High School battled to a 7-7 standoff.

Births: Brian Jameson Kingsbury, Robert P. Chadbourne, Jr.

60 years ago: Guy P. Butler announced his resignation as Executive Manager of the Maine Publicity Bureau effective Jan. 1, 1956. He was to be replaced by John C. Page, Jr.

A reception was given in William Bingham Gymnasium in honor of newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Roderick S. McMillin.

Death: Donald P. Chapman.

70 years ago: About \$230 was realized from the Bethel booth at the Rumford hospital fair.

Bethel National Bank ended its business and became a branch of the Casco Bank & Trust Company of Portland. Fred Merrill continued as manager and Louis van Den Kerckhoven was named assistant manager.

Death: Mrs. Harry B. Brooks.

80 years ago: Miss Rose Stoodnick of the Home Demonstration Department, Central Maine Power Co., demonstrated bread making at the Grange Hall in Bethel.

The clam shell shovel being used in the excavation of mud in the new road location in South Bethel was attracting much attention.

Deaths: Miss Ethel Hammons, Raymond Keith, Harry N. Mills.

90 years ago: Mr. Hugh Thurston moved into his new home at the corner of Elm and Summer streets.

The pupils of the West Bethel primary and grammar schools gave an entertainment; the fine program was followed by dancing.

110 years ago: An oyster supper served in Garland Chapel dining room by the finance committee of the Y.P.S.C.E. was well attended.

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# BANC

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ed said the Heart & Soul process draws out people who are hard to reach and are underrepresented. It "introduces new tools and ideas, such as the use of community values and stories to help different groups find common ground and have more productive conversations."

Scott said towns could join together in the effort and find common areas in which to work.

She said she has also talked with Woodstock selectmen about Heart & Soul, and plans to also talk with Greenwood selectmen.

"This would help people to think about it just a little bit more in that regional way," she said.

Bonnie Pooley, who accompanied Scott, said the process could help build bridges across what she said is a disturbing divi-

sion between local residents who were born here and those who were not.

She said the process might help them come together, "instead of just criticizing each other because we came late or we came early, or whatever."

Hearing each other's stories, she said, might aid in mutual understanding.

She said the overall Heart & Soul effort could take about two years.

Pooley said the impetus for the approach came when interested people had been meeting about the "Gateway to Bethel" - the area of vacant lots in the Route 26/Parkway section of town. It's an area, she said, "which we all wish could look different, and look better and more welcoming as we come into Bethel."

Ideas for the space had

included recreational facilities, she said.

But, as the group observed soil samples recently being taken for testing on the lots, they realized something else might happen there, she said. As a result, said Pooley, "we realized we needed to get bigger and we needed to think in a more visionary way." She likened the need to a visioning process for Bethel offered in the past by the National Training Laboratories (NTL) program.

That effort, she said, led to the formation of such organizations as the Mahoosuc Arts Council, the Mahoosuc Land Trust and the Bethel Conservation Commission.

Town Manager Christine Landes said if Heart & Soul went forward, Bethel might appoint a town

official and a community member as representation to a startup committee.

Selectman Peter Southam wondered if such an effort could be coordinated with the town's Comprehensive Plan, which provides a framework for future development.

Selectman Don Bennett asked about administrative costs associated with Heart & Soul.

"A really critical piece is having a hired coordinator," said Scott, and funding would have to be found for the position. She said it is important for the process to be "visible" in the community in order to encourage broad participation.

"That's a cost for sure, having a coordinator do it," she said.

Bennett asked for the board to meet with some-

one next month who had worked on such a project in other towns. Scott said she would try to arrange that.

Landes said representatives from other Bethel area towns could also be invited.

## BRIDGE, TRUCK, CPS VOTING

In other business at Monday's meeting, selectmen voted, at the request of Charles Mason Smith and Jane Smith Mills, to name the Smith Farm Road bridge (off the Flat Road in West Bethel) the Birchmont Farm Bridge.

Charles Smith, who said he grew up on the nearby Birchmont Farm, cited historical information in making the request.

The bridge was recently rebuilt in a joint project by the town and Oxford County.

Selectmen also chose a bid from Rowe Ford in Auburn to purchase a new truck for the town's Wastewater Treatment Plant. The bid was \$36,371.

Town Clerk Christen Mason reported that at last week's Election Day voting at the Crescent Park Elementary School, she heard several complaints that school was closed for the day for the voting.

Several years ago some parents expressed concern about security for students during elections, when people were coming into the school unscreened.

But it was noted at Monday's meeting that the entire district has Election Day off because a teacher workshop is scheduled.

"They need those workshop days anyway," said Southam.

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Maine Historic Preservation Commission to see if the building might be eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

The MHPC said it was. Christi Mitchell, a historic preservationist with the organization, said she could start the nomination process next summer.

Howe said if the building were to be preserved, private funds could be raised for the project and the structure could be used as a community center.

On Monday selectmen discussed whether to form an advisory committee to come up with a recommendation for the future of EBS.

But Selectman Pat Carter wondered if the structure was sound enough to even consider using it again, and suggested hiring an expert to inspect it before anything else is considered.

Town Manager Christine Landes said, however, that there are no funds available now for that purpose, and it would have to be included in next year's budget.

Selectman Peter Southam wondered if the building might be larger than needed for a community center. He also said if the build-

ing goes on to the Register, that could change the situation for the town's decision, depending on the timing.

Said Howe, "If we tore it down it wouldn't be the end of the world. It wouldn't look good, from the point of view that we tore down a building on the National Register."

He said such designation for the building would help with fundraising for it.

But Selectman Don Bennett said fundraising could be a two- or three-year project. He wondered if the town would simply board up the windows and keep people out for that period of time.

In the short term, said Bennett, an EBS committee might be valuable to "gauge what the community sentiment is" on what to do with the building.

Personally, he said he currently feels the best option is to "take a lot of pictures" of EBS to save for historical purposes, but take the structure down.

Howe suggested that the board ask Mitchell to come and look at the building in the near future to perhaps provide advice on whether it is worth the cost of saving it.

The board agreed to that plan.

# Yoga

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ing that her students have shown great enthusiasm for the concept.

"I've had a lot of students donate more than the typical class price because they want to support the cause. It's really encouraging to see."

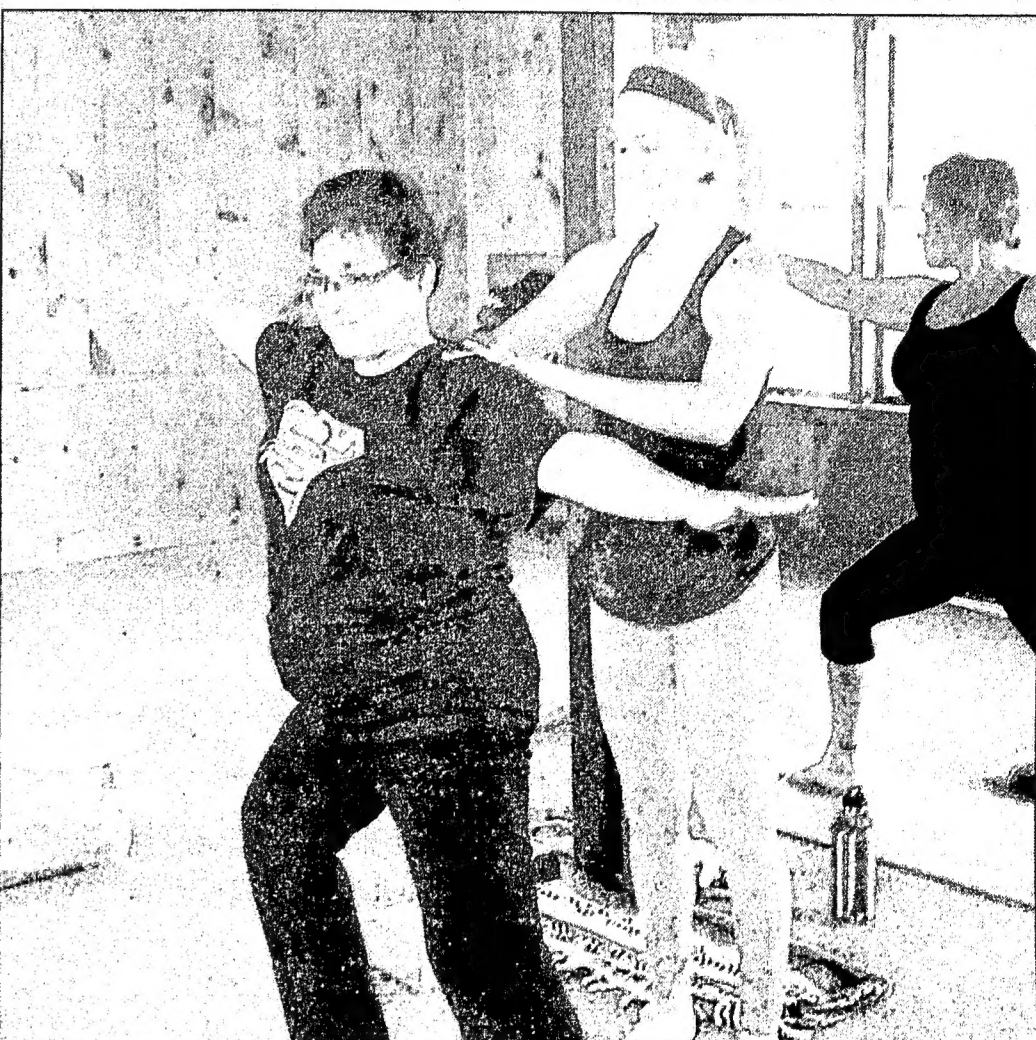
"We love where we're from" Gagnon said she and her husband have donated to education for years, "so deciding to donate proceeds from Yogamoto to local education was a natural extension of this passion of ours."

In making the donation, the Gagnons are giving generously of both time and money. They plan to personally match the donation amount raised through Yogamoto's classes, thereby doubling the positive impact on local education programs.

"The kids in our community mean a lot to us. We were those kids," Gagnon said, adding, "We're incredibly grateful for the start we had here. We love where we're from."

She said both of their families have lived in the area for generations, and "to be able to give back to a place that has given us so much couldn't make us happier."

They plan to specify a particular educational program for their donation, although they haven't yet decided which one.



Malinda Gagnon of Yogamoto instructs a student in her Fire Flow class at the Methodist Church Annex.

Submitted photo

"We'll be looking for opportunities to donate to a sustainable program - one that can keep giving. We're hop-

ing to make the first donation early in the new year." For more information about the donation program,

as well as class times and contact information, visit [www.yogamoto.com](http://www.yogamoto.com) or find Yogamoto on Facebook.

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prove instruction throughout the district.

A grant from the Sunday River Charitable Fund in the amount of \$5,000 will help to pay for a new projection screen in the Telstar auditorium.

Murphy explained that this is a matching grant, and said he hoped to find other grant opportunities to fund SAD 44's portion of the match and to avoid having to tap funds from the district's budget.

He said renovations to the auditorium were begun 12 years ago, and have continued gradually over the years, with improvements made to the lighting, sound, and other systems.

"One piece that remains undone is our projection screen. If you've had a chance to be there for any kind of a presentation, you know that it's held together by different generations of duct tape," Murphy said.

The district also received a grant in the amount of \$4,800 from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, as a result of an application submitted through the Oxford County Emergency Management Agency by Maintenance Supervisor Ron Deegan.

"The grant will continue upgrades to the security system that was installed last year at the Telstar complex. Eventually, all areas of the building will be covered by the system, Murphy said.

MMGM collaboration Murphy also told the board he had met recently with Barbara Barrett of the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum to discuss potential opportunities for the district to work with the museum on educational programming.

"There will be a lot of hands-on opportunities and

touch-screen opportunities for kids to learn about the different gems and minerals that are present in western Maine in particular," he said.

The museum is also looking into the possibility of developing a supportive curriculum that could be used in the schools. The unit of study would culminate in a visit to the museum.

"So we are looking at the possibility of teaming up on some type of grant proposal," Murphy said.

"It's exciting to think that we have such a great resource right downtown here in Bethel, so we'll be continuing to form relationships with them."

**Newry withdrawal** The first mediation session between the School Board's committee on Newry withdrawal and the Town of Newry Withdrawal Committee is scheduled to take place at the law offices of Drummond Woodsum in Portland on Tuesday, Nov. 17 from 1 - 5 p.m.

Members of the SAD 44 committee will meet with their attorney, Bill Stock-

meyer, prior to the meeting, at noon.

## Board member comments

During the board member comment portion of the meeting, Bethel Director Tim Carter said he had recently heard that Social Security recipients will not be receiving a cost of living raise in 2016, and he wanted to offer some advice to the Negotiations Committee.

"When we negotiate raises, that should have some effect on what we do. A few of us here actually get Social Security," he said.

Carter also said he sought to clarify the remarks of Melissa Hewey, as reported in the Bethel Citizen on Sept. 17.

Board Chair Lainey Cross had distributed copies of the newspaper story to board members at their October meeting.

Hewey, an attorney with Drummond Woodsum, discussed the roles and responsibilities of school board members under Maine law at the board's Sept. 14 meeting.

During her presentation, Hewey stated that once

elected, school board members' responsibility is to the state for the operation of the schools, and not to the voters in their individual towns.

At Monday's meeting, Carter said, "When I talked to [Hewey], I said, 'I don't represent the citizens of Bethel, but I represent the citizens of the whole district,' and she said, 'Since you put it that way, that is true, that is correct.'"

"We are, in my opinion, the representatives of the district. They're the ones who put forth more money to keep this school open than anybody else," Carter told the board Monday.

"We do this by hiring a supervisor and a superintendent, but I just tried to make that clear, and from what I understood, [Hewey] agreed with me that yes, we do represent all of the citizens of the district, not of the individual towns, and it is our responsibility to try to provide the best possible education we can, and hold those people that work for us accountable to deliver the best education

that we can provide to the students of the district, because that's ultimately why we're here."

## Winter coaching appointments

Murphy announced the following winter coaching appointments.

Telstar Middle School: Tim O'Connor, head boys' basketball coach; David Hanson, JV boys' basketball coach; David Berry, head girls' basketball coach; Amy Stevens, JV girls basketball coach; Kate Slattery and Chris Barstow, Nordic ski coaches; Megan McCarthy, alpine ski coach.

Telstar High School: Mike Pelletier, head boys' bas-

ketball coach; Ryan Kimball, JV boys' basketball coach; Brian Mills, head girls' basketball coach; Sarah Southam, Nordic ski coach; Kevin Hawthorne, alpine ski coach.

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**WOODS FIRE BURNS 5 ACRES**—Firefighters from several area towns fought a fire in the woods of Newry Monday evening. According to Fire Chief Bruce Pierce, the call came in around 6:45 p.m., reported as a woods fire on Thunder Ridge Road. Responding were departments from Newry, Bethel, Greenwood, Woodstock and Gilead. "The fire burned around 5 acres on the north side of the road," Pierce said Wednesday. Fire crews were at the scene until around 9 p.m. On Tuesday, firefighters from Newry, Greenwood and Woodstock returned for "eight hours, quelling hot spots and making sure of no flareups. The cause is still undetermined," Pierce said. Here, emergency vehicles are shown parked on the Bear River Road near the scene.

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## Journals

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ends with beautiful paintings, and the tables groaned under the weight of apples, pears, squashes, pumpkins, potatoes, beets, onions, carrots, and traces of sweet corn in the agricultural department, and butter, jellies, carpeting, rugs, afghans, crocheted work, decorated china, glass and crockery ware."

Mr. W.C. Valentine had on exhibition an engine he made while a member of the agricultural college. Stock judging awards were awarded: Freeland Bartlett of Upton, drawing/pulling oxen, \$5 and \$2.50; Best flock of sheep, J.M. Philbrook, \$4; best mutton, Wm. C. Chapman, \$1. J.M. Philbrook, 50 cents; best buck sheep for wool, J.M. Philbrook, \$1; Wm. C. Chapman, 50 cents. Best boar, Farwell Bros., \$3. On cows and heifers, Edgar Chase carried off \$9 in premiums.

For the five racing classes the purses ran from \$40 to \$150. Over the two days of the fair, some 2,500 tickets were sold.

In 1892 a grandstand seating two thousand was built for the race track along with other buildings for livestock. Additions and changes were made in the fair's program each year until 1908 which was considered its last year until revived by Henry Boyker in 1930. The Mayville church building had been torn down in 1909. Boyker had purchased the "Mason Farm" property including the buildings now called the Norseman Inn which had previously been renamed Bethaven. Although the re-



Layout of the main fairgrounds as seen in 1968. The Henry Godwin family farm included the former church property as well as much of the fairgrounds land in 1968.

Submitted photo

vived fair seemed to start well the Depression and bad weather were two factors which killed the fair forever in 1934. During those years, my grandfather, Ed Bennett, was chairman of the dairy committee.

One final note, however, is about William Rogers Chapman. Chapman's stable of trotting horses were featured entrants in the fair's racing schedule. From 1912 to 1918 Chapman also owned the former Mason-Ryerson farm and changed the "Gilead" road to its current (North Road) location. Behind his other barn, the one given to his mother by

Timothy Chapman (which is now owned by the David Murphys) Chapman had his own practice race track. If you look carefully at aerial photos it is possible to pick out some of the track's outline and some residents have found traces of it walking around that area.

In 1984 the Bethel Historical Society published an extensive paper about the fair written by Yvonne Nowlin; it is on the Society's webpage in a list of Courier articles at [http://www.bethelhistorical.org/legacy-site/Bethel\\_Agricultural\\_Fair\\_and\\_Riverside\\_Park.html](http://www.bethelhistorical.org/legacy-site/Bethel_Agricultural_Fair_and_Riverside_Park.html)

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## Town News

### Bethel

By Donald G. Bennett



**Correction** to last week's news about the Outing Club ski sale. I had written that the Ski Sale was Co-Hosted by the Bethel Outing Club and the Black Mountain of Rumford. I was reliably informed that the Black Mountain of Rumford and nothing to do with the ski sale except attend it.

### Land for truck swap deal

Gloria Wilson just sold her house and land in Mayville. Gloria told Kathy she would introduce us to the new owners, who were a Bethel family. However, Gloria and Merle left without such a meeting. The house is now up for rent and flagged stakes indicate some kind of plan.

The land, which was three lots including a woodlot, a sandpit and a slice of pasture was land Gloria had received from Paul Carter after his death. In 1961 my father had died and my mother needed to continue Riverside Farms milk business. Paul Carter's business then was based at his garage—the building now called Mayville Junction. My mother needed a new truck to carry on and Paul took the land as payment for the truck. The sand pit was later filled in with tree stumps and other elements—so it now looks like a small field. Another item of history about the sand pit is that the State had a large shed in the pit where snow fence was rolled up and stored during the summer.

### High tech sewer inspections

Last week Rick Davis and Randy Autry flagged me down on Main Street to show me how they can inspect sewer pipes and record what

they find in a video. They were going to inspect the new sewer pipe installation on Philbrook Street from a manhole on Main Street just across from the Philbrook Street entrance. They would check the flow of sewage and look for any construction debris or sand left by the contractor. They told me that using this equipment last year during the Vernon Street work, they had seen a sag in new sewer pipe. This was brought to the contractor's attention; the site was reopened and defective section replaced.

### Bull Branch in the news

... and not about Frenchman's Hole. Last week's Citizen reported on an issue raised about logging along Bull Branch. If the Moses Mason house is an historic element of Bethel village, then Bull Branch logging is an equally historic element of the Goose-Eye Brook, Bull Branch valley. These waterways were loggers "railroads" until about 1944 when river drives ended from Riley to the Androscoggin River. The 1940s drives were worked by the American Realty Company. Martha Fifield Wilkens' photo collection has an excellent photo of one of the logging drives. To read more see [http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Sunday\\_river/SRS\\_vol\\_1\\_files/Page291.htm](http://www.thebetheljournals.info/Sunday_river/SRS_vol_1_files/Page291.htm).

### Wood Stove, Bath and Beyond

With cooler days here or coming, I went to see Rodney "Bunny" Kimball's wood stove collection. Not that I wanted to buy a wood kitchen stove but to get a few photos of Bunny's collection. The stove I was looking for was one with a water tank similar one we had used many, many years ago. I found the stove along with others that were part of the Kimball Stoves roadside

## The Way I See It

BY SHARON BOUCHARD



From the TWISI archives: I recently had my annual physical, not that it was any big deal. Because I had a badly infected sebaceous cyst at the time, my doctor referred me to a surgeon. Again, it was no big deal other than the fact that a sebaceous cyst is painful. However, the whole experience reminded me that no matter who we are, rich or poor, fat or thin, beautiful or plain, in a Johnny we are all created equal. I take a certain amount of comfort in that and I learned a few things too.

"What did I learn?" you ask. I learned that from the first doctor visit through the pre-admissions testing and right through the surgical procedure, modesty is no longer something you can hang on to. Check it at the door, for there is no room for modesty in a medical setting.

Fortunately for me, I've been pretty healthy, so I have had little experience in these matters. I suddenly found myself in the position of putting my body and my life in the hands of a complete stranger. Think about that for a minute.

When in need of surgery you go before a person you have probably never met before, strip naked, let them feel where it hurts, then ask them to take a very sharp surgical instrument to cut up your body while you are unconscious or even worse, wide awake. And you and/or your insurance company will pay them a lot of money to do this. It's hard to comprehend, isn't it?

Other than word-of-mouth, it's hard to know what kind of person the doctor really is. Because there is no "consumers' guide to Physicians," you have to put your trust in the profession and assume that other parts of your body will not be inadvertently removed. Therefore the doctor's waiting room means a lot to me.

You can tell a lot about the doctor by the condition of their waiting room. The kind of magazines they have is important. If it is the usual assortment of popular magazines no more than

three or four months old, that's a good sign.

How the office is decorated also tells a lot about the type of physician you're about to entrust with your life. Andrew Wyeth or Norman Rockwell type pictures are good and relaxing.

Cute quilted wall hangings, dried floral arrangements, or whimsical posters probably indicate the doctor is a gentle family person. If there is a display of antiquated surgical instruments, or Nazi memorabilia, I suggest you leave immediately and search for a different doctor.

My doctor's magazines were current and run-of-the-mill and the office de-

*There is no room for modesty in a medical setting.*

cor was of the Andrew Wyeth/Norman Rockwell variety, so I decided to stick around.

As I was waiting alone in the examining room for the arrival of Dr. Bob, any fears or apprehensions I had going in were immediately replaced with feeling of foolishness. I was about to meet the man who I would soon allow to cut me up and I'm sitting there clad in a flimsy beige plaid paper Johnny (barely clad, I might add).

Any movement I made ripped the darn paper ensemble, further "de-clad-ding" me. I felt like a napkin at the Road Kill Café.

Anyway, as I was sitting there, because what else can you do in such a situation, it occurred to me that as foolish as I looked and felt, whoever was sitting in the next examining room was doing the same thing. It could have been the richest or most glamorous person in the area and she or he too would be reduced to looking like a party favor. It was

wonderful to realize that even Julia Roberts in all her beauty would look just as much like a recycled paper product as I did under the same circumstances. I took comfort in that idea.

Dr. Bob, being the good doctor that he turned out to be, ordered a whole battery of tests and x-rays just to make sure I was in good enough shape to survive surgery. One of those tests was the ever-popular urine sample. I don't know about you folks, but no matter how many times in the course of the day I may seek relief, this is just not something I can do on command. And those little cups they give you to put it in; what can they be thinking?

As luck would have it, I eventually accomplished the mission. Once again I felt about as foolish as one can, even though I was entirely alone and once again I took comfort in knowing that millions of people all over the world were probably experiencing the same thing. That was when a mental picture of Hillary Rodham Clinton with cup in hand came to mind.

When the day of surgery rolled around, I was once again stripped of all modesty and given a cloth hospital Johnny to wear. Hospital Johnnies are one-size-fits-all, so they are not exactly tailored to the body's contours. I was then shuffled from gurney to operating table back to gurney and finally to a hospital bed.

Each one of these moves caused the Johnny to fly askew and reveal the naked truth of my condition. I felt like the butt of a lot of bad hospital jokes.

There is no way a person subjected to almost any kind of medical procedure can cling to any kind of modesty, so just forget it. It took me a while to accept this fact, but I finally did. I vaguely remember thinking, as I was being placed on the operating table in a semi-conscious state, Johnny in disarray, that the way I saw it, even Dr. Bob in the same situation would be flapping in the breeze. I took comfort in that.

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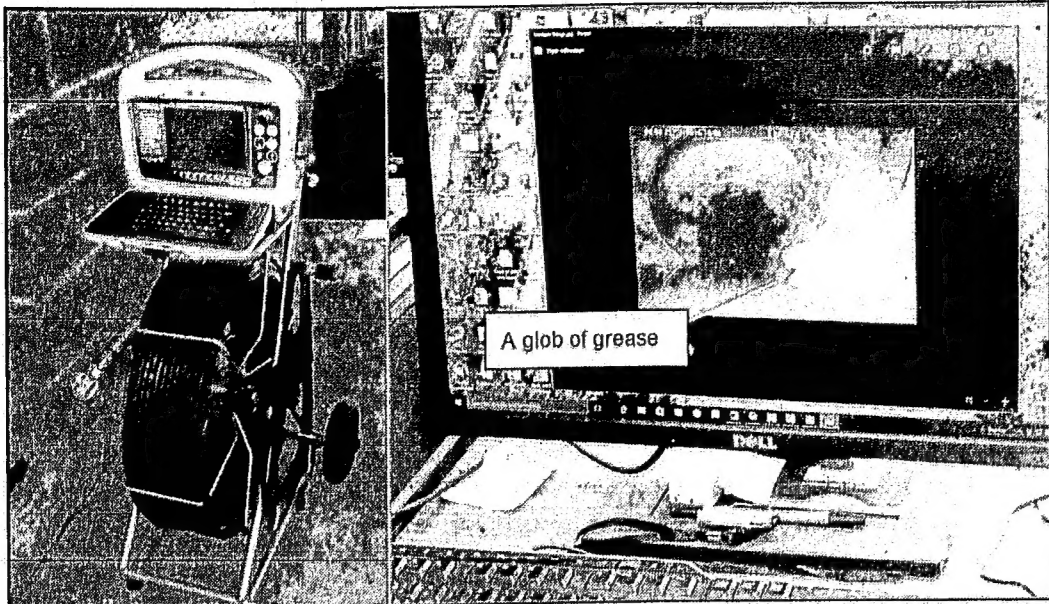
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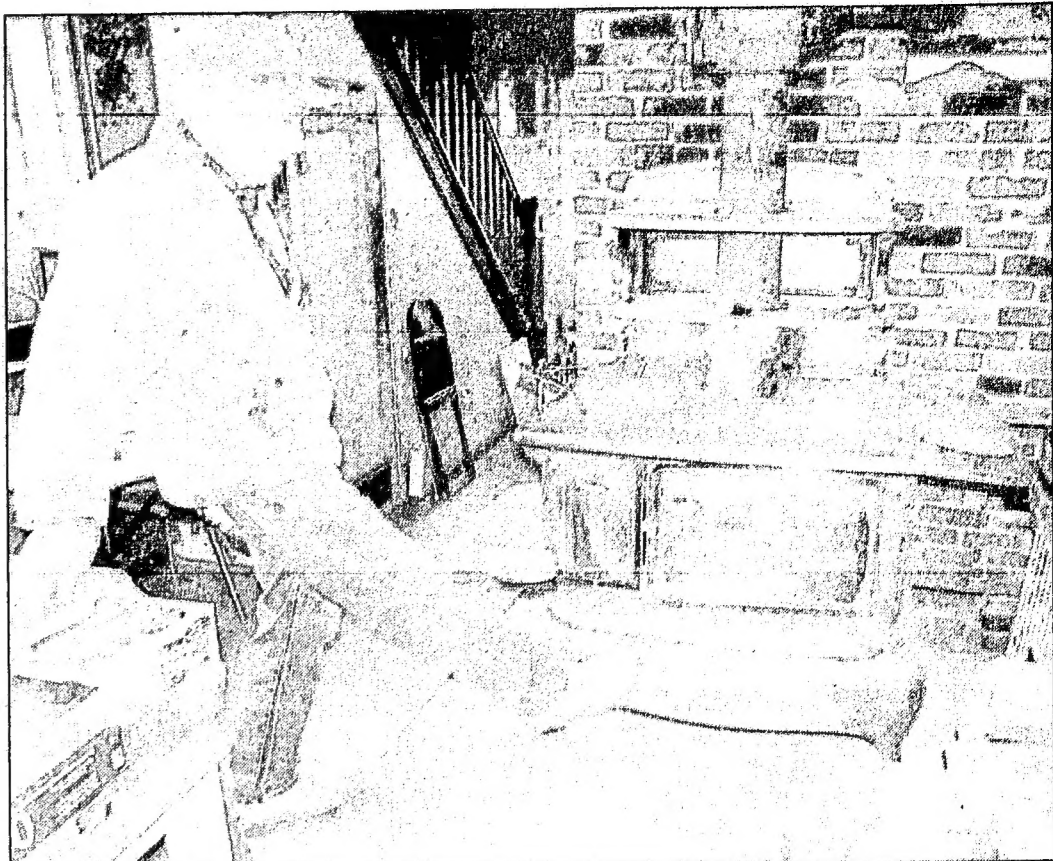
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Rodney Kimball demonstrates how some wood oven doors could be opened with a foot peddle when a cook had a pie or loaf of bread to bake. D. Bennett

lineup. Mr. Kimball also showed me another stove feature I had not see before: a kick peddle for opening the oven door. The idea was to pop a pie in the heated oven as quickly as possible to prevent losing heat.

At my Grandmother Crosby's home in Sunday River, what I remember clearly was her getting up quite early in the summer mornings to come out the kitchen and get a wood fire started in the kitchen stove. Besides cooking, the kitchen stove was the only source of hot water for the household. There was two ways to heat water—in a pot or teakettle on the stove or a special water tank that was part of the stove. In those days of the late 1930s and early '40s, it was common to take a bath only once a week. To heat water for a bathtub bath, you depended on the wood stove water tank and a teakettle to heat the water. And you probably filled the bathtub just enough with cold water from a tap warmed

with the kitchen hot water for a wash job but not a long leisurely soak.

Even after Sunday River was finally "connected to the grid," I don't believe anyone in the valley went out and bought an electric hot water heater. The use for the new electricity was just for lights and maybe some people bought refrigerators. Irons for pressing clothes were the cast iron ones heated on the stove as well. In my grandmother's case, she had a gas operated refrigerator. And for reading in the evening she had two Aladdin lamps that used a mantle instead of a flat wick and the mantle allowed a kerosene lamp to create a light that was close to sunlight.

At our home in Arlington, Mass., my father had tried out various electricity generating means including a small windmill generator on the garage roof but he settled on a six volt gas engine generator to set up in the Red House for electric

lights before power came to Sunday River. The Aladdin lamps were far better for evening reading.

## Bethel

By Nancy Brown



My mother took me to DiMillo's restaurant in Portland on Nov. 4 to celebrate my birthday. The "floating restaurant" began its life in 1941 as a car ferry between New Jersey and Delaware, and then did a stint as "The Norfolk," a ferry running between Hampton and Norfolk, Va., the city where I lived before I moved back here. November weather is always unpredictable to plan something. The days can be cool and blustery, sometimes even snowy. However, we got a beautiful day, 65 degrees and clear skies. We watched fishing boats and ferries coming in and out of the harbor and had a clear view of Fort Gorges from the wharf where DiMillo's is docked. Although many of our leaves have fallen, the trees in the Portland area were full with red, orange, and yellow foliage. We noted that the maple trees in Gray still hadn't dropped their leaves. The warm weather has tricked flowers even here in Bethel into blooming again. This morning (Sunday, Nov. 8) I saw newly blossomed yellow hawkweed and purple asters. There were blueets in our back pasture. However, blueets are hardy plants and last year, even without the warm weather, they bloomed until almost November.

A reminder that the Community Supper is a week early this month. It will be Wednesday, Nov. 18, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at the Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road, across from Telstar. The supper is free and open to the public.

Don't forget the Leonid meteor showers next week. They peak between midnight and dawn on the morning of Wednesday, Nov. 18. There will also be good viewing on the morning of Nov. 17 (weather permitting, of course).

Yoga classes continue at the Methodist Church Annex this fall, including new classes and new instructors. Kristen Otten teaches a Barre class on Tuesdays at 8 a.m. Barre combines high repetitions of small isometric movements with proper alignment, followed by stretches for each muscle group. Tuesdays at 4

p.m. Diane Barras teaches Pilates. Diane is an occupational therapist who received training from Balanced Body through Pilates Reforming New York and Boston Body Pilates. She has worked in the adaptive recreation field, and wants to share Pilates with people of every shape, size, and ability.

Chair yoga is new this fall. Karen Swanson is the instructor. Classes are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. Chair yoga is a gentle form of yoga practiced sitting on a chair, or standing and using a chair for support. Michelle Devoe teaches two vinyasa flow yoga classes on Wednesdays from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Michelle graduated from Bates College in May 2015 and received her 200-hour certification in vinyasa from Yoga Vida in New York City in 2013.

Saturdays there are two Fire Flow yoga classes offered by Bethel native Malinda Gilbert Gagnon. The classes are at 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Fire Flow is an energetic, vinyasa flow class, set to a motivating soundtrack. Participants are guided through mindful movement and finish the class with relaxing poses. All the classes are at the Annex of the Bethel United Method-

ist Church at 79 Main Street in Bethel.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com.

## East Bethel

By Wally Ritz



Here we are, still enjoying unusual warm temperatures in November. Maybe it is Mother Nature's way to help the doubters understand climate change? It does help either way by not needing to turn the furnace on or light up the wood stoves.

Arlene Harrington went to Bucksport last week from Thursday till Tuesday to visit her granddaughter, Karen Lanther. Together they went to the cemetery to pay respects to Arlene's oldest daughter and Karen's Mom. They spent most of the time together chatting and having fun together.

Have news from our neighborhood world travelers.

Lynne Zimmerman just returned from

Bhutan, where she was leading an Appalachian Mountain Club hiking group. The group spent six days in beautiful mountains on the Druk Trek, and then four days of sightseeing. The government strives to welcome tourists but limit their impact on the Bhutanese culture and natural resources.

Heather Zimmerman, their daughter, is studying for a Master's Degree at the School for Oriental and African Studies, University of London, England. She will complete her studies there next September.

I do hope you all remembered to thank and/or hug a veteran on Veteran's Day. I had to send many long distance hugs to my cousins in upstate New York. Sadly, many enjoy this day off though they are not veterans, sigh.

Concerning the voting site issue from last week. The suggestions were either the Legions or the Fire Department. What are your thoughts? Call me at 507-1008 or e-mail heinrich-cracker@gmail.com. Till next week.

## OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, Nov. 3

At 8:09 p.m. Deputy Nathan Bowie issued a cease harassment order on the Howe Hill Road in Greenwood.

At 8:49 p.m. a report was received from Howe Hill Road in Greenwood of a subject from Paris making threats and harassing the complainant. Paris police issued a verbal order to cease contact and stay off the complainant's property.

At 9:52 a.m. a Bethel resident reported harassment through social media and texting. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

At 11:44 a.m. a Bethel resident reported being harassed by a subject since a harassment order served a year ago expired. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned. Another order was planned.

Wednesday, Nov. 4

Cpl. George Cayer assisted State Police with a traffic stop in Hanover that resulted in the arrest of a subject from Rumford for OUI.

At 7:53 a.m. a complaint of an attempted scam over the phone for computer tech support was received. The complainant was given a fraud hotline number.

Saturday, Nov. 7

At 2:20 p.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to a report of a hit-and-run property damage accident in the parking lot at Telstar High School. Charges were pending.

At 3:26 p.m. Deputy Andy Whitney responded to the area of the Flat Road in Bethel for an argument/fight occurring in the roadway. It was determined to be a verbal argument and no crime was committed.

At 9:53 p.m. a report was received of a single vehicle accident on the Walkers Mills Road in Bethel. Deputies Matt McDonnell and Dere MacDonald responded. There were no injuries other than a cut hand on the driver.

Sunday, Nov. 8

At 10:25 a.m. Deputies Steve Witham and Andy Whitney responded to Woodstock for an altercation between two subjects. One grabbed a firearm and threatened the other. The subject who grabbed the firearm was arrested for reckless conduct.

Monday, Nov. 9

At 10:13 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland responded to Telstar High School for a student issue.

At 11:37 a.m. Sgt. Tim Holland took a report of theft from a vehicle on Broad Street in Bethel.

## OCSD Jail Log

Nov. 8, 1:02 p.m.: John E. Cox III, 50, of Woodstock, reckless conduct, terrorizing; by Cpl. Justin Brown in Woodstock.

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## Locke's Mills

By Amy Wight Chapman



Hasn't it been a beautiful fall so far? After a week of unexpectedly warm weather, temperatures are back to more or less normal, but the sun still feels warm if you can stay out of the wind, and even the wind doesn't feel as cold as some November winds I remember from the past.

One year, probably around 1990, I remember that we had extreme cold in November, with below-zero temperatures for a string of mornings around the middle of the month. On the other hand, I remember another year when we were driving home from Thanksgiving dinner at my brother's house in Vermont and passed a bank thermometer that read 80 degrees.

I had an e-mail from Round Pond summer resident Ruth Blakney, who said she had been surprised to read in the newsletter from the Community Lakes Association that both the North Pond and Round Pond loon chicks had been lost to eagles last summer. She had known about the demise of the North Pond chick, but nothing about the one on South Pond.

I was surprised to hear it, too, because I had seen a chick with its parent on Round Pond quite late in the summer (or maybe early fall) when I was kayaking there, and there is a photo of them on the association's Facebook page that was taken on Sept. 3.

Ruth emailed the Lakes Association, and heard back from membership coordina-

tor Sue Staples, who said a Round Pond resident had reported at their annual meeting that their loon chick had been taken by an eagle. The meeting was back on Aug. 1, so it's possible that a chick was taken early in the summer, but the parents had time enough to hatch another.

During the previous summer, our North Pond loons lost their first nest to a heavy rain before the eggs hatched, but did appear with two babies sometime after the middle of July and were able to successfully raise one of them before they left for the winter.

If anyone knows the whole story about this year's Round Pond loon family, both Ruth and I would like to hear it!

L.L. Bean has, unfortunately, declined the Greenwood Bicentennial Committee's request for a donation to help fund our 200-year celebration next summer. Apparently it doesn't count for much with their corporate offices that the company's founder was born here. Harumph!

The First Universalist Church of West Paris will hold their annual chicken pie supper on Thursday, Nov. 19 at the church. The doors open at 4:30, with dinner served at 5:30. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 5-12, and free for kids under 5.

E-mail your news to amy.w.chapman@gmail.com, leave a message at 875-5511, or contact me on Facebook.

## Mason

By Richard Grover



I couldn't believe I saw my picture in a photo on the front page of the Lewiston Sun Jour-

nal last Monday. All I did was donate my 48 year old go to hell hat to the South Paris Veterans Home so they would have some memorabilia for their display honoring Veterans of the Vietnam War. I think just about everybody who was stationed on a base in Thailand during that war bought one of those Australian bush hats as a souvenir of their presence there. The only difference I am aware of is that aviators assigned to combat missions tended to record the completion of each combat mission (counter toward their required 100 missions which would qualify them for return to a stateside base) on the visor of their "go-to-hell" hat. Every qualifier mission (flying over some part of the country of North Vietnam) was recorded by a ballpoint pen hash mark on the hat visor; every fifth mission was a slash across the first four hash marks. The hat was recognized as an unofficial part of a combat aviator's flight suit, worn everywhere on base.

The photo was taken while I was at the ceremony at the Veterans Home dedicated to Vietnam War Veterans.

In other news, Mona and I went to the "Hee-Haw" show at the Bryant Pond Grange Hall last Saturday evening. We enjoyed the show which featured quite a batch of local talented folks playing a variety of stringed instruments. One of the show highlights was the bass violin player whose name I have forgotten (John somebody). John is said to play a big variety of instruments, including the piano. His unique specialty is to launch into

snappy piano rendition of a well-known song while members of the audience shout out the person's name which is featured in the song. John reeled off some 30 songs for folks to identify during a 10 or 15 minute session, transitioning to a new song as soon as the audience identified the previous song, all without sheet music in front of him. An enjoyable evening.

## South Woodstock

By Lolalee Dillingham



11:50 a.m.

Monday,

Nov. 9

Good sunny morning to y'all, it's 55 degrees here with beautiful blue skies and lots of great sunshine and a very light breeze.

I am so enjoying this nice warm weather we are having, cold weather will be here way too soon and then I'll be spending more time inside.

Get well wishes and prayers are going out to Earl Hart who is a patient at CMMC in Lewiston and to all others who are down and not feeling well.

The birds are busy at the feeders this a.m. Had a pair of cardinals here all weekend and they are back this morning.

They are such beautiful birds and I love their beautiful bird calls.

The deer are not gathering in the back 40 to graze evenings since hunting season had started, I so miss seeing them spend the late afternoon an early evening time here with us.

Paula and I will be entertaining the residents in Rumford and Auburn this

week. It's such a joy spending our time with the residents throughout Oxford County and the Lewiston Auburn areas.

The Bethel Alliance church (Route 26, across from the Telstar School) will be holding their community supper Nov. 18 from 4:30 to 6 p.m.

Birthday wishes to all that are having birthdays this month.

We will be having some new neighbors, the home of Joe and Carol Stowell has been sold. It will be nice seeing lights and movements next door again.

Well, that's all from the valley this week, stay well and do enjoy your weekend.

## Upton

By Joe Bernier



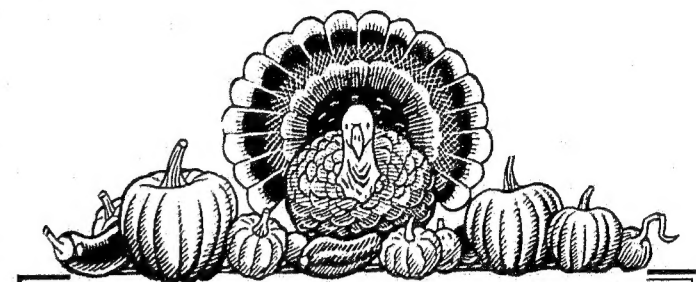
The Upton Ladies Aid will meet each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Ladies Aid building. They

are planning the Christmas party which will be Saturday, Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. Finger foods, gifts and Bingo

(for non-cash prizes) will be provided by the Ladies. The Hunter's Dinner and Breakfast were each the most successful in years. The guests stayed beyond the food and socialized for quite some time. It was heartwarming and encouraging to the Ladies who always want people to enjoy themselves at their events. The Ladies wish to thoroughly thank all area people who help make these events successful.

The new bridge is in over Mollidgewock Brook. The bridge is the cooperative effort of the State Line Snowmobile Club and Letter B Notch Riders. The bridge will provide a safer and easier crossing for ATVs, snowmobiles and especially the groomers. Thank you to both clubs, Andre's Construction and White Mountain Lumber for your help and contributions.

My daughter and I have been writing verses to a nonsense, four line per stanza, poem. As the urge hits, one of us will write a stanza and e-mail it to the other. We are up to about



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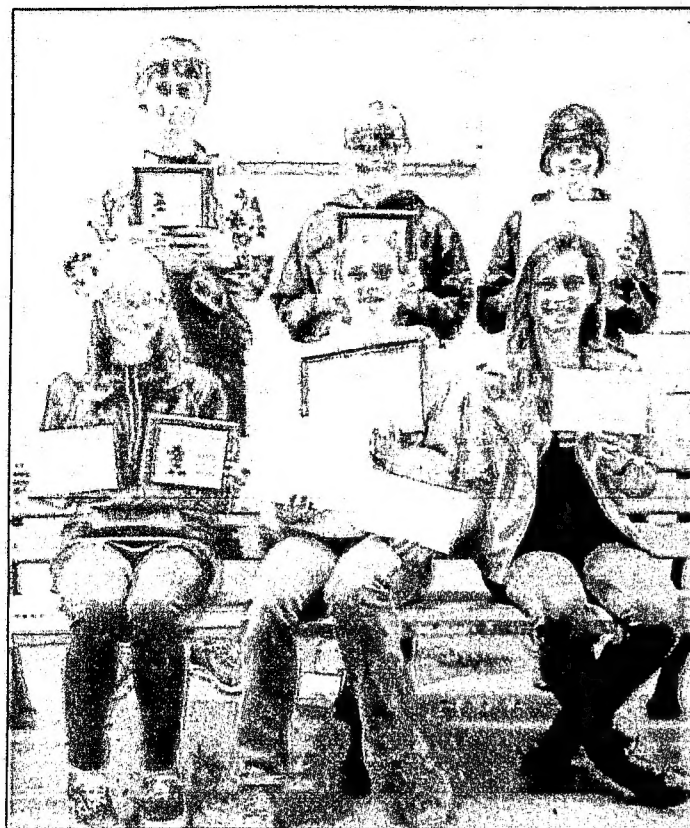
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# Telstar High School 2015 Falls Sports Awards



## TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Front: Emily Hanscom (Most Improved); Kaitlyn Brown (MVC second Team All Star, Athlete of the Month); Marta Opie (J.V. Certificate). Back: Ricco Call (Rookie of the Year, Athlete of the Month); Kristi Hanscom (Hustle Award); Gaelan Boyle-Wight (Athlete of the Month). Absent: Carla Boyle-Wight (MVC First Team All Star, Academic Excellence, Most Valuable Player).



## TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER

Front: Willis Stevens (MVC Honorable Mention, Outstanding Defense Award); Avry Griffin (MVC Honorable Mention, Hustle Award); Ashley Savage (MVC Academic All-Star, Athlete of the Month). Back: Zack Hill (Most Improved Award); Kellen True (MVC Second Team All-Star) Athlete of the Month, Coaches Award).



## TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Front: Devin Merrill (Four-Year Award; Fabian Corriveau (Offensive Player Award); Calvin Glover (Four-Year Award, Brad Wight Award). Back: Dakota Merrill (Four-Year Award, Defensive Award); Caleb Merrill (Most Improved); Connor Landes (Hustle Award).

## Town News

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20 verses. It was suggested that I share this one that my daughter wrote:

During the long, cold, snowy winters  
Way up here in Maine  
I do a happy, little snow dance

While my compatriots complain.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

## Waterford

By Rockie Graham



Our early fall weather is coming to an end. They predict cooler weather this week. The

warm days have been nice, but we know it can't last. Perfect for getting all those outside projects that need to be tackled before snow-fall done. David has been a leaf blowing fool. Yard looks nicer than it has in a long time. Garden is all put to bed. I noticed this a.m. that the cat is back. I keep singing that song – the cat came back the very next day, the cat came back in the very same way, etc. Anyway, we do not know whose cat it is or where it comes from. It is skinny. Anyone wanting a cat is welcome to come and claim her. I don't do cats. Too allergic. None of my neighbors claim her. Tried to capture her and send her to Responsible Pet Care, but she disappeared temporarily. Think she likes my compost bin.

Off to get my insides looked at tomorrow. Wish me luck. Not happy about them sticking a tube down



## TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Russell Cushman (Honorable Mention MVC All-Star; Athlete of the Month; Low Average Scorer.)

me, but what can I do. So I am determined to grin and bear it. By this time tomorrow it will be all over and I will be home having a nice meal. I can't eat after midnight tonight and not until after the test. I will be some hungry by tomorrow evening. Missing meals is not one of my best points. I generally eat every 3-4 hours. After 5 hours I get a little bit iffy. I try to keep my blood sugar up to par. Hopefully I will know all by this time tomorrow.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, Veteran's Day, was granddaughter Sara Hebert's birthday. She turned 12. Hard to believe. She is in Arizona with her mom Becky and step-dad Jeff Burkett. Happy Birthday Sara.

Saturday, Nov. 14, there will be a Turkey supper at

the Alder River Grange at 5 p.m. Adults are \$8, children under 12 are \$3. Veterans eat free.

Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2 to 4 p.m. Senior Plus will be in Norway at the Norway Town Office. Representatives will be on hand to answer questions. Free and open to the public. Interested parties should call 1-800-427-1241 for appointments.

Thursday, Nov. 19, the Annual Chicken Pie Supper will be held at 5:30 p.m. at the First Parish Church of West Paris. Adults \$10, 5-12 \$5, 5 and under free. Menu: chicken pie, mashed potatoes, peas, squash, rolls, dessert pies coffee, tea, etc.

It is still hunting season our there so remember to wear your orange and look out for stray deer running from the guns. Stay warm and dry and have a great week.



## TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL FIELD HOCKEY

Front: Blair Stevens (MVC All Academic, Athlete of the Month); Becca Howard (MVC All Academic, MVC Honorable Mention, Four-Year Letter Winner/Leadership Award); Savannah Vermette (MVC All Academic, MVC Honorable Mention); Hayley Peterson (Hustle Award, MVC First Team All Star, MFHA All Star). Back: Cassidy Smith (Athlete of the Month, MVC All Academic); Mariah Millett (MVC All Academic, Athlete of the Month); Octavia Morin (MVC All Academic, Athlete of the Month).

A. Aloisio

## Retired Teachers to meet in Locke's Mills

The Oxford County Educators Association-Retired (OCEA-R) will meet Nov. 20 at the Locke's Mills American Legion Hall. It will be their last meeting of the fall, and the organization will not meet again until March of 2016.

Sign-in will begin at 10:30 a.m. A business meeting will be held at 11 a.m. and a meal prepared by members of the Legion Auxiliary will

be served at approximately noon. After dinner a silent auction will be held as a fundraiser. An important part of the meeting will be to turn in donations toward the annual scholarship fundraiser. All of the scholarship calendar raffles need to be turned in as soon as people arrive. The proceeds go to students in Oxford County who will pursue their education past high

school and who are graduating from high school in the spring of 2016.

The October meeting was held at the First Congregational Church in South Paris. Karen Ricci presented the program. Her topic was "People and Animals" and she explained the practice of reiki, a form of alternative medicine, and especially how it can be applied to the health of pets.

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# World's largest Christmas project

Local Volunteers Join Samaritan's Purse to Collect 10,000 Shoebox Gifts for Children in Poverty Overseas

This month, West Paris Baptist Church in West Paris will serve as a collection site for Operation Christmas Child—the world's largest Christmas project of its kind. The annual Samaritan's Purse project is a favorite of many Maine residents, families, churches and groups

who spread joy to millions of children around the world by filling shoeboxes with a "Wow" item—like a doll or soccer ball—other fun toys, school supplies, hygiene items and notes of encouragement.

"Through the simple act of filling a shoebox, someone in Maine can make a tangible difference in the life of a child halfway around the world. Anyone can partici-

pate and bring joy to a child facing difficult circumstances," said Portland volunteer Kathleen McInerney, who has participated in Operation Christmas Child for many years.

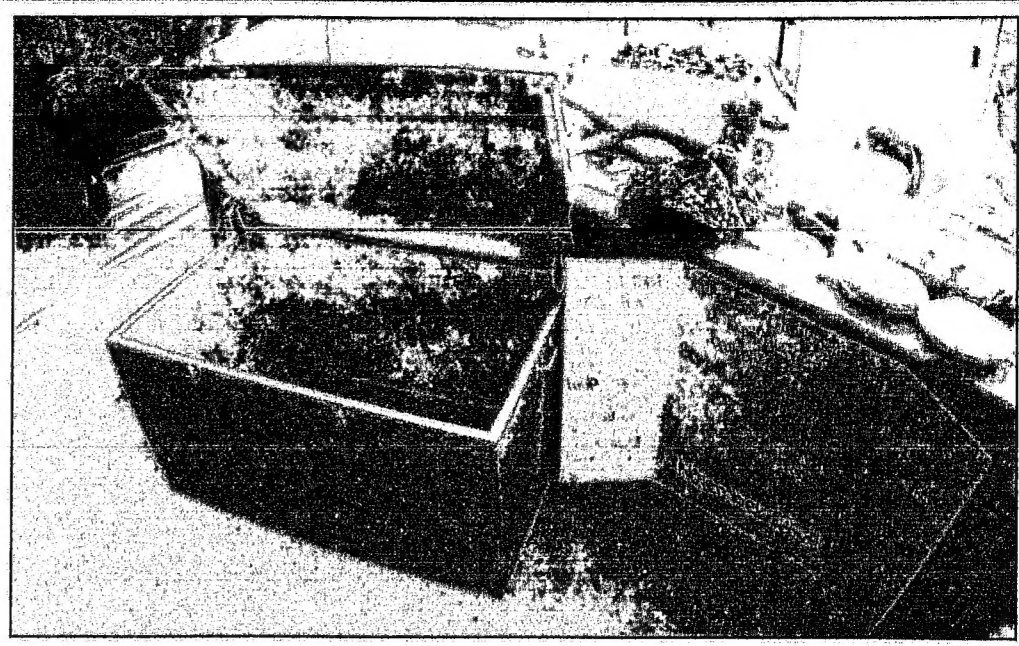
At West Paris Baptist Church during National Collection Week, Nov. 16 – 23, anyone can drop off a gift-filled shoebox at 15 Church Street to send to a child overseas. Maine residents hope to contribute more than 10,000 shoebox gifts to the 2015 global goal of reaching 11 million children in need.

**Operating hours**  
Monday, Nov. 16, [10 a.m. – 1 p.m.]; Tuesday, Nov. 17, [4 p.m. – 7 p.m.]; Wednesday, Nov. 18, [5 p.m. – 7 p.m.]; Thursday, Nov. 19, [10 a.m. – 12 p.m.]; Friday, Nov. 20, [12 p.m. – 2 p.m.]; Saturday, Nov. 21, [10 a.m. – 12 p.m.]; Sunday, Nov. 22, [3 p.m. – 5 p.m.]; Monday, Nov. 23, [11 a.m. – 1 p.m.]

**Operation Christmas Child** is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international Christian relief and evangelism organization headed by Franklin Graham. Since 1983, Operation Christmas Child has delivered gift-filled shoeboxes to more than 124 million children in more than 150 countries and territories. For many of these children, a gift-filled shoebox is the first gift they have ever received.

For more information about how to participate in Operation Christmas Child call (207)318-7525. With a computer or mobile device, anyone can conveniently pack a personalized Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift on the Samaritan's Purse website. Go to [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ) to select toys and gift items, write a note of encouragement and "pack" them in a shoebox. These gifts of hope will go to children in some of the hardest-to-reach countries.

Using special tracking technology, participants can follow their box to discover where in the world their gift is delivered by using the donation form found at [samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ).



**BLANKET CHEST RAFFLE**—This blanket chest, made in Tim O'Connor's industrial technology program at Telstar High School, is being raffled off to raise funds for the families of three area leukemia victims. Tickets are available at Telstar high and middle schools, as well as at the Crescent Park Elementary School. The drawing will take place Nov. 22. A. Aloisio

## Age-Friendly Community news

The AFOP Planning Team has generated a series of reports about nine "Livability Factors." AARP and the WHO (World Health Organization) have identified eight factors (we added a ninth) that affect how well older adults can plan to stay in their communities as they age. As a first step, we did some preliminary research into what is currently available in the Bethel community. We published these nine reports and made them available at our public meetings in the middle of October.

Perhaps you did not get one at that point and would like to see our findings. If so, the collated reports are available at both the Bethel Library and the Bethel Family Health Center. It should be noted that these are reports in progress: we are counting on more suggestions and updates from members of the community. As you read a report, note that there is a contact person to whom you may suggest additions. We'll publish an updated version as more information is added and make it available to members of the community.

The nine Livability Factors, which will be discussed in future columns, are: Outdoor Spaces and Buildings, Transportation, Housing, Social Participation, Respect and Social Inclusion, Civic Participation and Employment, Communication and Information, Community Support and Health Services, and Accessibility and Affordable Healthy Food. Nancy Davis ([nancy.davis.bethel@gmail.com](mailto:nancy.davis.bethel@gmail.com), 381-1110).

## Waterford Congo Church hires full-time music director

For the first time in its long history, the Waterford Congregational Church has hired a full-time music director to lead its choir, perform solos, and plan musical events to enhance the church's liturgical calendar. Edward "Gabe" Gabrielsen, 52, of North Norway officially began his tenure on Sunday, Nov. 8. Originally from Texas, he is a 15-year resident of Maine, and a well-known vocal soloist and private music teacher in the Oxford Hills area.



Submitted photo

Gabrielsen has expressed interest in growing the small choir and in starting a children's choir at the church, located at 15 Plummer Hill Road, in Waterford Flat. He will also plan and direct music for the holidays—starting with the Christmas Eve Service—and special events.

His philosophy of music in the church setting goes well beyond standard hymns and choral music. He is interested in innovation and exploring harmonies. He also wants to bring more contemplative practice into singing, using such modalities as Gregorian Chant and Taizé, and emphasizing natural harmonies. "I'm interested in moving music more into the heart, where it should come from, as opposed to making it more intellectual or academic," he says. "Devotional singing inspires feelings and builds great community."

The Church's Music Committee expressed great enthusiasm for the new director, and has told him to "run with it," said chair Jean Struck of Waterford. They are encouraging him to experiment and explore as well

as maintain the well-loved traditional religious music. His tenure follows 12 years of volunteer work under the able direction of Jane Morse of Waterford, who stepped down to devote full-time to her career in the Oxford Hills schools. The Rev. Petra Smythe is the pastor of Waterford Congregational Church.

Gabrielsen began studying voice at the age of 16, and as he says, fell in love with singing. He has been a soloist all of his adult life. He also plays guitar, piano, and harmonium—a rectangular reed organ with a small keyboard that is pumped by hand or foot. But voice is his primary instrument, and his rich tenor is a wonderful gift. In addition to his new position with the Waterford church, Gabrielsen will continue to sing for weddings, funerals, and private functions. His next public concert—a classical program entitled "Forever Love Songs"—will be Nov. 14, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. at the Franco American Center in Lewiston.

## Churches celebrating 90 years together

On Saturday, Nov. 14 at 4 p.m. the churches of North Waterford and East Stoneham are celebrating 90 years of being united into a single parish, and also the fact that the North Waterford Church is 160 years old this year, and the Stoneham Church is 120!

We are also officially opening the new "facilities" at the North Waterford Church, and realizing the irony that

160 years ago, Arthur Hobson built the entire church for \$300, but nowadays a new bathroom costs far more!

The celebration begins at 4 at the North Waterford Church (on Route 35, opposite Melby's Eatery), with a wonderful variety of music: Birds on a Wire (banjo, violin, and guitar), the Fryburg Academy Chorus, the combined church choirs, and more.

The celebration will continue with a good, old-fashioned church supper...baked beans, cole slaw, American chop suey, home-made casseroles and salads, and lots of choices for dessert.

A free-will offering will be taken to support the churches' Deacons' Fund, which helps local families who are having trouble affording to heat their homes during the winter. All are welcome.

## Head runs for re-election to OCSWCD board

Frances Head and her husband, David, live in Bethel. She is a real estate broker with ownership, and co-ownership of two sub-divisions and several smaller parcels of land. In 2014 she was elected to a vacant seat in the state Legislature District #117. She remains the president of the Bethel Senior Citizens group, Bethel budget committee, and the Bethel comprehensive plan update.

Both Fran and David strive to maintain good conservation practices by developing management plans for their land. She has worked hard to ensure Farwell Mountain Estates is in compliance with all conservation requirements and David has management plans in place for two of his large parcels of land.

Fran feels her children and grandchildren need to learn good conserva-

tion practices and has always tried hard to be a good steward of the land. She believes her time on the Oxford County Soil & Water Conservation Board will help her become more knowledgeable and allow her to learn new ways of protecting the environment.

Anyone wishing to vote may contact Jean Federico at the OCSWCD office (207-743-5789, ext. 101/111).

- from the OCSWCD

## Bethel Historical Society news

Sincere thanks are extended to the many people and organizations that have responded to the Society's "50th Anniversary Annual Fund Campaign." Among the latest donors to the Fund, which supports the Society's regular operating costs, are Jim and Linda Auman; Sue (Howard) Erickson, in honor of Phineas Howard; Norway Savings Bank; Patricia Owen; Ann M. Carlson, in memory of Marjorie Cummings; Jean K. Owen; the Hood Family (Kerry Mason Hood), in memory of Ver-

non Leeland Ingraham; Jan Mott, in memory of the Lawrence Lord Family; Dave and Nancy Murphy; Beth and Walter Brough; Mary Ann Ashcraft; Erwin and Shirley Bartlett Eby, in memory of James Cleveland and Marguerite Bartlett; Roy Killgore; Lynne and Bud Kulik; Bill Purdie; River View Resort; Glenn B. Skillin; Betsy Wilder; in memory of Frank and Crystal Gorman; Judith Barker, in memory of Bradley Barker; Don and Eleanor Brooks; Eleanor A. Collins, in memory of F. Harvey Ben-

nett; Nancy Eaton and Kevin O'Reilly; Carolyn Harrison; Darla Jarvis, in memory of Clarence and Adelia Waterhouse; Lester and Sharon Wormell.

Gifts to the 50th Anniversary Annual Fund Campaign may be mailed to P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217 and are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Checks, stock transfers or credit card payments should be dated no later than Dec. 31 to be counted toward this year's campaign. (To make a donation in a form other than cash or check, please call the Society at 207-824-2908 or e-mail us at [info@bethelhistorical.org](mailto:info@bethelhistorical.org).) The Society is extremely grateful for this tremendous show of support from the Bethel community and beyond.

At a recent meeting of the Society's Board of Trustees, an official name for the new barn-like structure being erected at the east end of the Robinson House was adopted; the "Charles R. Huntoon Center for Archives, Library and Museum Collections" will house a major part of the Society's holdings, a large portion of which will be protected inside one of two fire-proof, concrete and cement block vaults that have been constructed at the north end of the building.

Located on Broad Street in Bethel (established in 1768 and incorporated in 1796), the Bethel Historical Society is a vibrant regional organization that collects, preserves, displays, and interprets the history of western Maine and the White Mountain area of Maine and New Hampshire through exhibits, lectures, events, and publications. The Museums of the Bethel Historical Society feature six exhibit galleries and nine period rooms spread throughout two buildings – the 1821 O'Neil Robinson House and the 1813 Dr. Moses Mason House. An extensive on-site research library contains books, manuscripts, maps and photographs available to members and the general public year-round by appointment. The Society's museum collection contains thousands of objects that tell the story of the town of Bethel and the surrounding region. Throughout the year, the Society provides a full schedule of high quality events (most free of charge) for people of all ages.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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**Bethel Area Food Pantry;** serving the residents of Albany, Andover, Bethel, East Bethel, West Bethel, Bryant Pond, Gilead, Greenwood, Hanover, Locke's Mills, Mason Township, Newry, Upton and Woodstock. The Food Pantry is open on the second Monday of each month from noon to 8 p.m. Anyone in need of food should come during those hours, without appointment. The Food pantry is located in the basement of the Nazarene Church, 16 Church Street, Bethel, by the side entrance on Park Street. Donations for the Bethel Food Pantry should be left on the porch at 57 Elm Street. Contact Dave Bean at beand@gouldacademy.org or 824-0369 with any questions.

## Friday, Nov. 13

**Alder River Grange Meeting/Potluck;** 6 p.m., Alder River Grange Hall. A 7 p.m. meeting will follow the 6 p.m. potluck supper. There may be a peel party after the meeting to prepare food for the Nov. 14 supper.

## Nov. 14 and 15

**Troublemakers: The Story of Land Art;** 7 p.m. Saturday and 4 p.m. Sunday, The Gem Theater, 23 Cross Street, Bethel.

**Inside Out - a children's movie;** 4 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday, The Gem Theater, 23 Cross Street Bethel.

**Women's Wellness Weekend;** Andover at Carol Emery's. Sessions on Yoga, Red Tent Movement, Intuitive Tarot Sessions, Reiki, Massage and more. Please call 392-3161 for more info.

## Saturday, Nov. 14

**Driving Dynamics Course;** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Telstar High School Room 133. This 5 hour class will help you develop better driving habits whether you drive a car, RV, light truck, or tractor trailer. Insurance discounts are a possibility. The course is offered to the public by instructor, Eddy Naples. Tuition: \$40. FMI: 824-2136 ext. 1340 or www.sad44.maineadult-ed.org.

**CPR and First Aid Class;** 9 a.m., Oxford Public Safety Building. Course includes basic first aid, adult, child, and infant CPR and the use of an AED. On successful completion of the one-day course, you will receive a two-year certification in accordance with the American Heart Association. FMI: Patty (671-4460).

**Snowflake Fair;** 10 a.m., Lovell UCC, Route 5, Center Lovell. Fresh balsam wreaths, berry bowls, fir pillows, baked goods, luncheon, treasures, costume jewelry, Christmas loft, Serv items, gifts, raffles, books.

**Public Chinese Auction;** 3:30 viewing, 5 p.m. auction, VFW Hall, 58 Main Street, South Paris. The lunch counter will be open.

**Lori Grover Benefit Dance/Auction;** Four Seasons, South Paris. Doors open at 3:30. Auction: 4:30 to 6:30 with items including Scentsy products, a family swim at Mollycokett Motel, and gift certificates to various businesses and restaurants. 50/50 raffle. Children's ornament-making table. DJ North Star. Dance starts at 7:30 with music by the Road Kings and a cash bar. Proceeds will be used to help Lori Grover with medical and household expenses as she battles cancer.

**North Waterford and East Stoneham Church Celebration;** 4 p.m., North Waterford Church. The churches of

North Waterford and East Stoneham are celebrating 90 years of being united into a single parish, and also the fact that the North Waterford Church is 160 years old this year, and the Stoneham Church is 120. Music: Birds on a Wire (banjo, violin, and guitar), the Fryeburg Academy Chorus, the combined church choirs, and more. Church supper: Baked beans, coleslaw, American chop suey, homemade casseroles and salads, and dessert.

**Turkey Supper;** 5 p.m., Alder River Grange Hall. \$8/adults, \$3/children under 12, veterans eat free.

**Woodstock Historical Society Meeting;** 6 p.m., Woodstock museum. There will be a presentation on the Bryant Pond Stagecoach following the meeting.

**Swingin' Bears Square Dance;** 7 to 10 p.m., Oxford Hills Middle School cafeteria, 100 Pine Street, South Paris. Caller: Don Bachelder, Cues: Bernie Porter. \$7 per person, non-dancers welcome at no charge. Door prizes and 50/50 drawing. Refreshments will be served. Hosts/Hostesses: Melody Cox, Robert Weaver and Ellen and Richie Janerico.

**In Search of Air;** 7:30 p.m., Denmark Arts Center, 50 West Main Street, Denmark. \$10 suggested donation. Lida Winfield's long, wrenching struggle with Dyslexia, and the stigmatizing effect it had on her social and educational life, are the raw materials from which she constructs In Search of Air, a one-hour dance and spoken word performance that has won rave reviews from theaters and schools across the nation.

**Telstar Football Fundraiser Dance;** 8 to midnight, American Legion Hall, Locke's Mills. Bands: The Ball Brothers and The Way Back Machine. BYOB. \$10 per person or \$15 per couple. 50/50 and Silent Auction. Proceeds benefit Telstar youth and high school football programs.

## Wednesday, Nov. 18

**SeniorsPlus;** 2 to 4 p.m., Norway Town Office. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have about services and resources for older adults and adults with disabilities and their families. Free and open to the public. FMI/Appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

**Community Supper (No Charge);** 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road (across from the Telstar parking lot). Note: There will not be Community Supper in December. Call 207-824-2289 for more information.

## Thursday, Nov. 19

**SeniorsPlus Long Distance Learning Event;** 1 to 2:30 p.m. A class on Consumer Fraud Protection. Free with pre-registration. Call 1-800-427-1241.

**MM&GM Third Thursday Talk;** 3 p.m., Maine Mineral and Gem Museum, Main Street, Bethel. Dr. Carl A. Francis, curator at the Maine Mineral and Gem Museum, will present the first in a series of public monthly "Third Thursday Talks." Francis' topic will be the pegmatites (coarse-grained igneous rocks) of the Lovell, Stoneham and Stow areas. Since 1881, many pegmatites have been discovered in the area, yielding gems as well as feldspar and mica for industrial purposes.

**Annual Chicken Pie Supper;** 5:30 p.m., First Universalist Church of West Paris (tickets go on sale at the door starting at 4:30). Menu: Homemade chicken pie, mashed potatoes, peas, squash, cranberry sauce, rolls, dessert pies, coffee, tea, punch and water. \$10/adults, \$5/kids 5 to 12, kids 5 and under eat free.

## Nov. 20 and 21

**WMSC's Prime Time Players (formerly known as Senior College Players);** 7 p.m., McLaughlin Auditorium, Gould Academy. The theme, "What goes 'round, comes 'round" demonstrates that people are complex and not always what they appear to be at first encounter. The public is invited to attend and see popular local talent perform in four short one-act comedy plays. Admission is free. However, do-

nations will be appreciated to offset Royalty fees. FMI: Lorrie Hoeh (824-2917).

## Friday, Nov. 20

**Oxford County Educators Association-Retired (OCEA-R) Meeting;** Locke's Mills American Legion Hall. Sign-in will begin at 10:30 a.m. A business meeting will be held at 11 a.m. and a meal prepared by members of the Legion Auxiliary will be served at approximately noon.

## Nov. 21 and 22

**Tin Mountain Roundup;** 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Barker Lodge, Sunday River. Three donations of nonperishable food items to be distributed to local food banks qualify skiers and snowboarders for \$10 off a lift ticket.

## Saturday, Nov. 21

**Holy Savior Catholic School and Parish Christmas Fair;** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Holy Savior Parish Hall, 115 Maine Avenue, Rumford. Handmade fresh wreaths \$20, handmade Christmas balls \$22. Lots of crafts, food, and raffles. Hot Turkey Luncheon: 10:30 to 2 (or until sold out). FMI: 364-2523.

**Texas Hold'em Tournament;** 1 p.m. (doors open at noon), Jackson-Silver Post 68, American Legion, 595 Gore Road, Locke's Mills. \$55 buy-in, high hand option. 50/50, pull tabs. Meals and refreshments available. BYOB. FMI: 890-3737.

## Sunday, Nov. 22

**NHS Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner;** 12 noon, Telstar cafeteria. If you have any questions, please call the Telstar High School office at 824-2136.

**Bethel Episcopal House Church Service;** 3 p.m. This is a one-time change from the traditional third Sunday meeting. The Rev. Nancy Moore from Christ Episcopal Church, Norway, will lead the service and Holy Eucharist. House Church meets in Bethel at the home of a member and for location and more information please contact Rosemary Laban at 1-850-766-1241. All are welcome!

## Monday, Nov. 23

**Essentials of College Planning for adults 19 and over;** 10 a.m., Western Maine University and Community College Center, South Paris. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703 or http://meoc.maine.edu. Free and open to the public.

**SeniorsPlus;** 1 to 4 p.m., Fryeburg Library. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have about services and resources for older adults and adults with disabilities and their families. Free and open to the public. FMI/Appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

## Friday, Nov. 27

**Annual Local Craft and Wares Fair;** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bethel Inn Resort's Conference Center. You will find knit items, baskets, quilts & quilted items, handmade jewelry, jams, jellies, pickles, holiday decorations, photography, paintings, fiber art, weaving, soaps, creams, lotions, balsam products, wooden items, and much more. FMI: 207-824-2282.

**Free Horse-Drawn Wagon Rides;** 1 to 3 p.m. at the north end of the Bethel town common near the Chapman Inn. Rides given by Deepwood Farm, sponsored by Franklin Savings Bank.

**River Valley All Catholic School Alumni Reunion;** 5 p.m. Mass at Holy Savior followed by dinner downstairs in the parish hall to be held at St. Athanasius & St. John's Church, 126 Main Street, Rumford. Alumni from St. Athanasius & St. John's, St. Theresa's and Holy Savior are invited to attend. Reservations: Marie (491-7524).

## Saturday, Nov. 28

**Fireworks;** 8:30 p.m., Sunday River. Watch a brilliant display of colors light up the winter sky above the slopes of Sunday River. Fireworks are best viewed slopeside or on the deck at the Foggy Goggle.

# REGULAR MEETINGS AND EVENTS

## MUNICIPAL

**Bethel Selectmen:** Second Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Bethel Planning Board:** Second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Bethel Water District:** Third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Gilead Selectmen:** Second Wednesdays of the month, 6 p.m., Town Office.

**Gilead Planning Board:** First Thursdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Greenwood Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Hanover Selectmen:** Third Tuesday of the month, 6 p.m. unless otherwise posted.

**Hanover Planning Board:** First Wednesday, 6 p.m.

**Newry Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays of the month, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Newry Planning Board:** First and third Wednesdays of the month, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**Woodstock Selectmen:** First and third Tuesdays, 5 p.m., Town Office.

**Woodstock Planning Board:** First and third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Town Office.

**SAD 44 School Board:** Second and/or fourth Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., Telstar High School (occasionally meet at other schools; call 824-2185 for info or go to http://www.sad44.org/pages/MSAD\_44\_Bethel/School\_Board).

## ORGANIZATIONS

**Andover**  
Mondays and Tuesdays, 4:30 p.m.: Andover Fitness Club, Andover Elementary School gym.

**Bethel**  
First Sunday of month, 7 p.m.: Bethel Snow Twisters at 208 Walkers Mills Rd.

Third Sunday of each month, 9 a.m.: Breakfast open to the public at no charge at Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

**Wednesdays**  
Yoga Classes with Yogamoto. Classes are held at 4:15 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (no class Nov. 25) at the United Methodist Church Annex at 75 Main Street. Yogamoto is a donation-based nonprofit yoga practice. You pay what you can - suggested donation is \$5-\$15. Classes are one hour vinyasa flow and suitable to all skill levels. Proceeds are donated to local education. Private classes also available. FMI: www.yogamoto.com (207)200-3815 info@yogamoto.com

Last Wednesday of the month, 4:30 to 6 p.m.: Community Supper at Bethel Alliance Church. No charge. FMI: 207-824-2289.

Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m.: Story Time for Children at Bethel Library (story plus craft) with participating mothers. October thru April. FMI: call 824-2520.

Second Thursday of the month, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; fourth Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.: Cross Country Quilters of Pine Tree Quilt Guild of Maine meet at the Alliance Church on Route 26 in Bethel. All quilters welcome. FMI: e-mail Pat McCartney at p\_quilts@yahoo.com or call 836-3575.

**Saturdays**  
Yoga Classes with Yogamoto. Classes are held at 8am and 9:30am at the United Methodist Church Annex at 75 Main Street. Yogamoto is a donation-based nonprofit yoga practice. You pay what you can - suggested donation is \$5-\$15. Classes are one hour vinyasa flow and suitable to all skill levels. Proceeds are donated to local education. Private classes

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**Woodstock**  
Second Saturday of month, 6 p.m.: Woodstock Historical Society meeting at the museum.

**West Paris**  
Tuesdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.: West Paris Baptist Church group to foster wellness for anyone searching for faith based support. The group is intended for those facing the challenges of grief, loss, addiction, codependency, and abuse issues. Light refreshments will be provided.

**Norway**  
Third Wednesday of the month: Women's Imaging Center, Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, offering professional prosthetic and bra fittings for women on For appointment call 743-5993 Ext. 6851.

Second Thursday of the month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.: at the Harper Conference Center, Ripley Medical Office Building, 193 Main Street, Norway. Staying on Your Feet, a free one-time course for adults aged 60 and over. Course includes balance screening, blood pressure check, leg-strength measurement, and education on staying fit.

Fridays 9:15 a.m.: Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge, Norway. For more information, call Les Buzzell at 783-4153 or 754-9153; or e-mail: buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

**Hebron**  
Sundays 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.: Seasonal Public Skating, Robinson Arena, Hebron. Adults, \$3; Children 12 and under, \$2; WinterKids Passport holders, free. FMI: 966-2100.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

**SAFE Voices**  
24-hour hotline: 1-800-559-2927. Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806.

**AA Meetings/Addiction help**  
Bethel Freedom Group: Open Discussion Meeting (seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1) Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room, at Sunday River Resort.

At United Methodist Church (Main Street, Bethel): Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting, Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Candlelight Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 p.m.

**Cancer Support**  
Northern Vista at Home Senior Care offers a free shuttle service to those going to re-occurring chemo or radiation appointments at St. Mary's or Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. To schedule a ride call Gerry McCann, director at 207-836-2173.

Every Thursday, 1:30 to 3 p.m.: Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

**Exchanges/Pantries**  
Clothing Exchange: Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

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**Help for the Homeless**  
Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a Maternity Group Home program for homeless pregnant and parenting youth ages 18-21 and Case Management services. Emergency shelter services include the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and their children and the Rumford Family Center for homeless families. To make a referral or to request assistance, please call 743-6363 in the Norway area or 369-9439 in the Rumford area Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information about Rumford Group Homes, Inc., call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

**Lyme Disease**  
First Wednesday of the month, 6:30-8 p.m.: Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Beacon House Peer Center, 3 Canal St. Rumford. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076. Third Wednesday, 6:30-8 p.m.: Lyme Disease Support & Education Group at Telstar High School Library. FMI: 357-1926 or 824-3076.

**Mental illness**  
Beacon House Social Club: 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional, or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Wednesday 3 to 8 p.m.; Friday 2 to 7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

**Veterans' Services**  
Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris: Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9 to 12 noon second Thursday at VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

**Multiple services**  
Community Concepts: provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

**Alzheimer's Support**  
Caregiver Support Group: Second Tuesday of the month, 10 to 11:30 a.m., West Paris Town Office, 26 Kingsbury Street. This group is for anyone caring for a family member or friend with memory loss. New members may join at any time. Free and open to the public. FMI: SeniorsPlus (1-800-427-1241).

Alzheimer's Support Group: meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the Rumford Community Home located at 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. All are welcome. For more information call Sue Ellen Richardson, Social Service Director or Terry Drury, Residential Director at 364-7883.

**Brain injury support**  
Brain Injury Support Group: for individuals with brain injuries and their families. West Side NeuroRehab, 618 Main St., Lewiston. First Monday of the month, 6 to 8 p.m. FMI: Deb Hammer 795-6110.

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# Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

## WORD FUN

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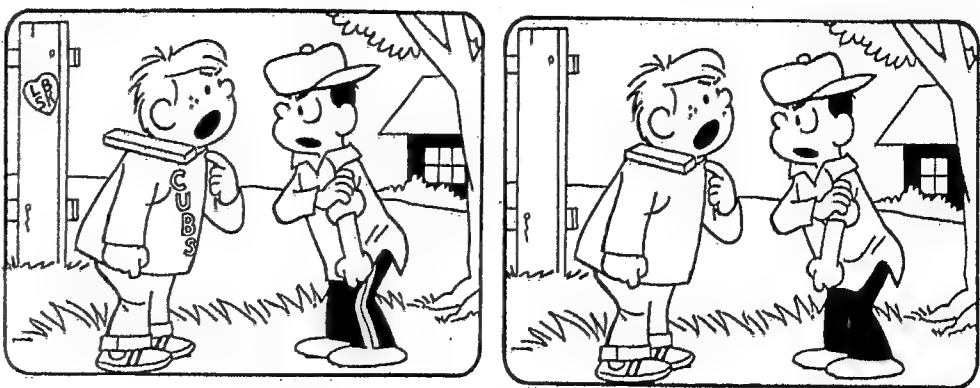
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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:  
1. Heart on fence is missing. 2. Block is shorter. 3. Team name on shirt is missing.  
4. Arm is moved. 5. Stripe on pants is missing. 6. Window is different.

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## CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: M equals O

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## SCRAMBLERS

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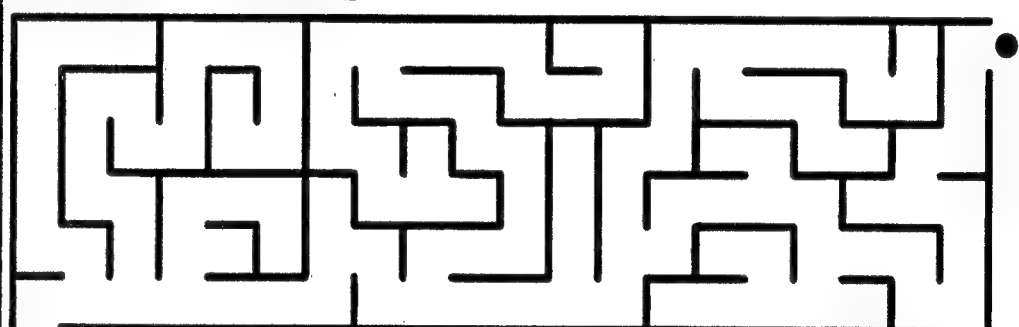
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## Super Crossword

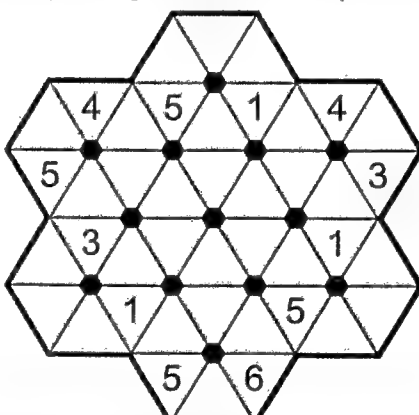
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  - 45 Cake coating
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- 59 Grammy nominee
  - 60 Iraq neighbor
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  - 62 Foil's heavier cousin
  - 63 Common jazz chords
  - 66 Suffix with hotel or front
  - 67 Gore and Franken
  - 68 Cong. member
  - 69 2001 Josh Hartnett film
  - 73 Columnist
  - 74 "Sands of—Jima"
  - 75 Tore on loot
  - 76 Dined at a diner
  - 77 Meat-stamping org.
  - 78 Baden article
  - 79 Bar assoc. members
  - 82 Roman 700
  - 83 Conan of TV
  - 85 Hood's pistol
  - 86 1976
  - 90 Michael Caine film
  - 92 Avant-garde composer
  - 93 Rock's Jethro —
  - 94 Hectic hosp. areas
  - 95 Clumsy ox
  - 98 Cuts again, as a plank
  - 101 Alternative to Alpo
  - 103 1970 Barbra Streisand film
  - 110 Rules about legal wrongs
  - 111 Bites from puppies
  - 112 Tennis champion
  - 114 1977 Scott Turow book
  - 115 1941
  - 122 Purplish brown
  - 123 Schedule
  - 124 City in west Texas
  - 125 Former Brit. Airways jets
  - 126 Sacilke larval stage of some flatworms
  - 127 Scatter and drive away
  - 1 Drama units
  - 2 Rare kind of ball game
  - 3 Performs, biblically
  - 4 Choir platforms
  - 5 Strip treat: Abbr.
  - 6 Era
  - 7 Heartburn
  - 8 Neighbors of Thais
  - 9 Disinclined (to)
  - 10 — room (place for air hockey)
  - 11 — de cologne
  - 12 "Toddlers & Tiaras" aired
  - 13 "— Tok"
  - 14 — mind (in agreement)
  - 15 Unemotional sorts
  - 16 Feature of the word "sign"
  - 17 Slash away
  - 18 Film composer
  - 19 Senegal's capital
  - 24 In a cab, say
  - 29 Slimy stuff
  - 31 Hair-raising
  - 32 Correct, as a manuscript
  - 33 Taking care of the issue
  - 34 Actress Nina
  - 35 Makes an effort
  - 36 Within reach
  - 40 Rock singer
  - 41 Some form-shifting garments
  - 42 Moves instantly, in sci-fi
  - 44 Meat-stock jelly
  - 46 "Le Père —" (Balzac novel)
  - 48 Area next to the sea
  - 49 Love song singer
  - 50 Places to dip quill pens
  - 52 Calamity
  - 53 Sty noise
  - 54 Jazz pianist
  - 55 Outlook
  - 56 Make money
  - 63 City on the Loire
  - 64 Bowler, e.g.
  - 65 Krona earner
  - 69 Impish lyke
  - 70 Narrow strip of wood
  - 71 Former Big Apple mayor
  - 72 Gold coin of yore
  - 77 Tea holder
  - 80 Ache (for)
  - 81 Totally full
  - 83 Earthen pots
  - 84 Like mild weather
  - 87 Basic point
  - 88 Jacob's wife
  - 89 Genève's country
  - 91 Flute sounds
  - 96 Belt piercer
  - 97 Rascal — (country group)
  - 99 Elapsed
  - 100 Hucksters' pitches
  - 102 Bald people have visible ones
  - 103 Alternatives to sunroofs
  - 104 Baseball's Wagner
  - 105 Assemble
  - 106 Smart as —
  - 107 Ruffled
  - 108 Music industry gp.
  - 109 "For — inter-ested ..."
  - 113 Chemical compound
  - 116 Punk music offshoot
  - 117 Sea, to Yves
  - 118 — Z
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  - 120 Nounshed
  - 121 — Baba

## SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦♦♦  
♦ Easy ♦♦ Medium ♦♦♦♦ Difficult

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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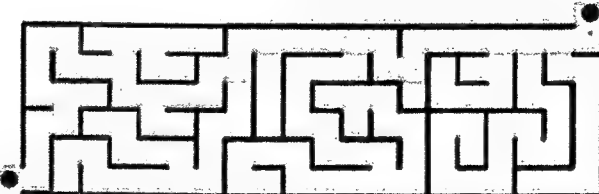
Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

★★★ HOO BOY!

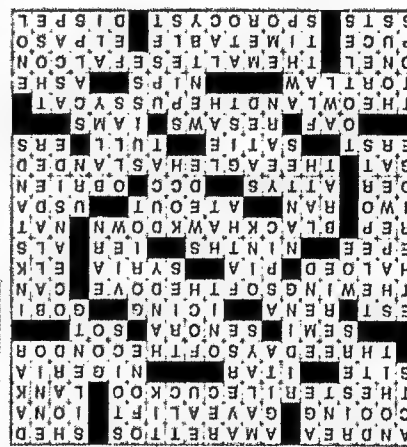
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## Kids' Maze Solution

PROVIDER  
Today's Word  
3. Survey; 4. Ahead  
1. Love; 2. Employ;  
solution  
SCRAMBLERS  
An overhanging roof edge  
fell down and caused much  
damage. It was the cause of  
destruction.  
answer  
CryptoQuip

Answer  
Puzzles4Kids  
solution  
SNOWFLAKES  
THRIVE  
SELFIE  
ARROWS  
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Answers:  
Weekly SUDOKU  
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# Maine Books for Maine Kids

The Oxford County Educators Association-Retired (OCEA-R) recently distributed children's books to 24 libraries in Oxford County. For nearly 10 years the organization has provided books to public libraries in the county to add to their collection of children's books. The books are written by Maine authors and are often autographed by those authors. This year's selection was "Woodland Litter Critters" by Patience Mason, whose husband's photography provided illustrations for the book.

The OCEA-R created this program to encourage young people in Oxford County to read. Karen Ellis, Elaine Lagueux and Blanche Sanborn are currently the members of the group that researches possible books for distribution. This year it was OCEA-R's contribution to the Maine Educators Association's "Day of Caring" project. OCEA-R has designated its program as "Maine Books for Maine Kids." One of the group's goals is to be a positive influence for the education of our young people. Maine authors have been enthusiastic about this program, and some have spoken to the group.

We encourage retired teachers and other people who have worked with young people in school systems to join us at our meetings. The next meeting will be held at the American Legion Hall in Locke's Mills on Nov. 20, starting at 11 a.m.

**EAST BETHEL CEMETERY RECEIVES SIGN**-Ruby Bryant, Master of Alder River Grange #145, recently announced the installation of a sign for the East Bethel Cemetery, which according to the late historian, Eva M. Bean, dates back to circa 1817. In 2013, the older section of the Cemetery and the adjoining East Bethel Church were given National Register status through nomination by the Maine Historic Preservation Commission. The funds for this community service project were provided as a joint venture of the Maine State Grange and Alder River Grange. "We are most grateful to the Grange for this new addition to the cemetery," Nancy Mercer, East Bethel Cemetery Association president, said following the sign's installation. "This is one more contribution to the East Bethel community from the Grange," said Stan Howe, Alder River Grange treasurer and the director of its community service program. "We are very pleased to help wherever we can." Pictured with the new sign are, from left, EBCA Treasurer Dot Bartlett, Mercer, EBCA Secretary Barbara Honkala and Howe.



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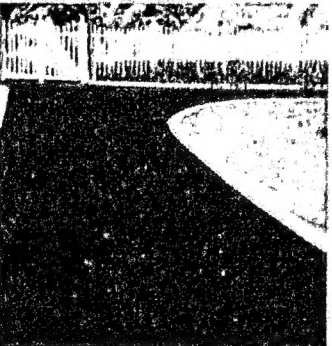
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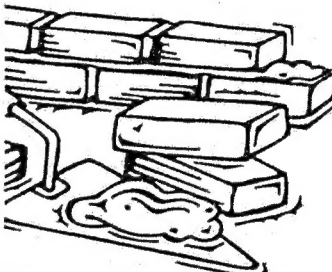
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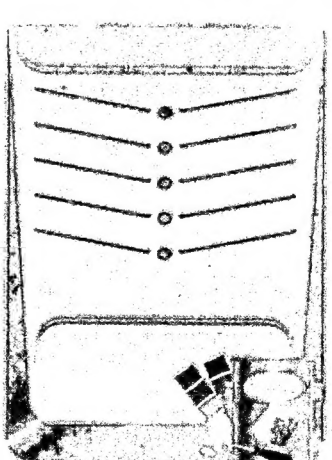
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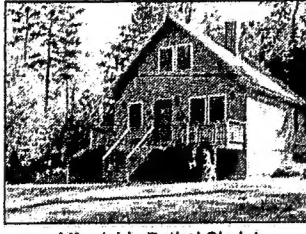
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The Woodstock Board of Selectmen will be holding a **Public Hearing on November 17, 2015@ 6:00 PM** to share information and take comments on the amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance for the period October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016. The Public Hearing will be held at the Conference Room at the Woodstock Town Office.

A copy of the proposed amendments to General Assistance Ordinance is available at the Woodstock Town Office for full inspection.

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The successful bidder shall be employed as an independent contractor and shall provide and furnish all insurance, labor, materials, supplies, equipment supervision and administration necessary for the proper and complete performance of the work as outlined above.

Bids will be accepted until 5 PM on November 17, 2015. The bids will be opened and read aloud at that time. For further information you may call the Woodstock Town Office at 207-665-2668.

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# Obituaries



## JUNE GAMMON

June Lillian Gammon, 81, of Rumford, died Tuesday, Nov. 10, 2015 at the Ledgeview Living Center, West Paris.

She was born in Eustis, on March 22, 1934 and was the daughter of Joseph and Nellie (Lamb) Heath. She enjoyed sewing, quilting, knitting and Bingo. She was a member of the Rumford Center Grange.

She was married Aug. 4, 1950 to Milan Gammon, Sr., who died Nov. 19, 1981. Survivors include daughters Sylvia Heald of West Paris, Debbie Dupont and husband Marlan and Katherine Gam-

mon of Rumford Center; sons Milan Gammon, Jr. and wife Maureen of Rumford Center, Garry Gammon and wife Sandy and Derrick Gammon of Rumford; 8 grandchildren Marcie, Carrie, Michelle, Sara, Kevin, Steven, Erica and Fallon; and 2 great grandchildren Connor and Lilah.

Friends are invited to sign the family guest book and share their thoughts, condolences and memories online at [www.mead-erandson.com](http://www.mead-erandson.com).

Funeral services are at 12 noon Friday, Nov. 13, at the Meader & Son Funeral Home, 3 Franklin Street, Rumford, with Pastor David Kimball officiating. Interment will be in the East Ellis Cemetery, Rumford. Friends are invited to call at the funeral home from 10 a.m. to 12 noon prior to the funeral.

Those who desire, please contribute to the Alzheimer's Unit c/o Ledgeview Living Center, 141 Bethel Rd., West Paris, ME 04289 in her memory.

# Senior College Players gearing up for performance

Western Mountains Senior College "Prime Time Players" are gearing up for their fall performance to be held Friday, Nov. 20, and Saturday, Nov. 21, at 7 p.m. at the Gould Academy McLaughlin Auditorium, Bethel, and promise an evening of fun and excitement as they present four short comedy plays. New director, Jack Kuchta, said most of the players are veteran thespians and "young at heart" with many years' experience.

Kuchta said, "The theme for the evening, 'What Goes 'round, comes 'round,' shows that some people are complex and not always as they appear to be at first encounter." Kuchta will be assisted by Lorrie Hoeh, who worked with former director, Ross Timberlake, for two years.

Hoeh will direct one of the plays. She will also perform in a monologue entitled, "Kindness of Strangers," by Jim Gordon. This play is an important reminder about two things that usually happen as one ages. Seniors are often seen as easy prey by scam artists, but the seniors are just as often smarter than the scammers.

Another play with a sim-



"A Tale that Wagged the Dog," by Tim Kelly, is a prize winning comedy, and one of four comedies to be performed by WMSC's Prime Time Players at their fall production on Friday, Nov. 20 and Saturday, Nov. 21, at 7 pm at Gould Academy's McLaughlin Auditorium. Seated: Norman Milliard; Standing (from left) Barb Dion, Pat McCartney, Roberta Taylor and Tineke Ouwinga. Submitted photo

ilar theme, "Drinks with Charles," by Jim Gordon, features Tim LeConey as investment guru, Charles Fleming. He envisions a profitable evening touting his "can't fail" investment strategies to three unsuspecting women: Sara, played by Roberta Taylor; Helen, played by Barb Dion; and Barbara by Tineke Ouwinga. Unfortunately for Fleming, past

success is no guarantee of the future.

"A Tale that Wagged the Dog," by Tim Kelly, won first prize for this comedy by the International Thespian Society and Dramatics Magazine. In the play, Johann Strauss, The Waltz King, visits America on tour to the excitement and interest of the ladies. Meanwhile, Rudolph, the composer's valet, played by Norman Milliard, does a thriving business selling locks of the maestro's hair. However, the hair comes from Strauss's little dog, Bobo. One after another, young women invade the hotel suite: Arabella, played by Barb Dion; Charity, by Roberta Taylor; and Prudence, by Pat McCartney. They are determined to have a lock of their idol's hair. Rudolph's shrewish wife, Trudi, played by Tineke

Ouwinga, wants to end the deception. How Rudolph deals with the women makes this play a delight.

"The Bickersons" features Rosabelle Tift and Jim McLean in an adaptation of the Dec. 27, 1946 radio broadcast of The Bickersons. It will be performed as it would have been in 1946, live and on the air. The Bickersons seem to be able to turn anything into a verbal war. Kuchta plays the announcer and sound technician.

Carole and Ross Timberlake provide invaluable support with costumes and lighting.

Western Mountains Senior College offers Senior College Players as a course. Now in its ninth year, most players are experienced seasoned players, eager to help newcomers ages 50 and over, who wish to join the class.

Admission to the performance is free, however, donations will be appreciated to offset royalties. Intermission will include yummy cookies and treats in the lobby. FMI call Lorrie Hoeh at 824-2917.

# Births

## ANDREWS

Chris and Lorian Andrews of Cumberland Fore-side are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Eleanor Grace Andrews, on Oct. 29 at Maine Medical Center.

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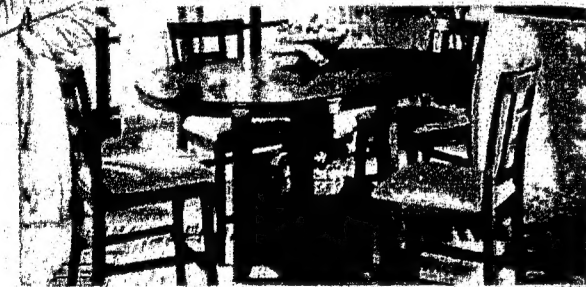
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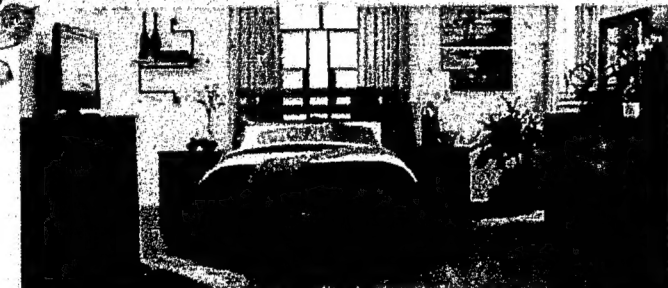
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